



**I** SHOULD have lived happy enough in that country, if my foolishness had not exposed me to several ridiculous and troublesome accidents, some of which I shall venture to relate. Glumdalclitch often carried me into the gardens of the court in my smaller box, and would sometimes take me out of it and hold me in her hand or set me down to walk. I remember, before the dwarf left the Queen, he followed us one day into those gardens, and my nurse having set me down, he and I being close together near some dwarf apple-trees, I must needs show my wit by a silly allusion between him and the trees, which happens to hold in their language, as it doth in ours. Whereupon, the malicious rogue, watching his opportunity, when I was walking under one of them, shook it directly over my head, by which a dozen apples, each of them near as large as a Bristol barrel, came tumbling about my ears; one of them hit me on the back as I chanced to stoop, and knocked me down flat on my face; but I received no other hurt, and the dwarf was pardoned at my desire because I had given the provocation.

Another day Glumdalclitch left me on a smooth grass-plot to divert myself, while she walked at some distance with her governess. In the mean time there suddenly fell such a violent shower of hail that I was immediately, by the force of it, struck to the ground; and when I was down the hailstones gave me such cruel bangs all over the body, as if I had been pelted with tennis-balls; however, I made a shift to creep on all four and shelter myself by lying flat on my face on the lee side of a border of lemon-thyme, but so bruised from head to foot that I could



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## Blackening Out Around the White

By Jean Perry

*Morning clouds split the morning sun,  
the stream was clear and shallow,  
grassy and  
worms underneath.*

Ellen Flynn, Mattapoisett Library Trustee, found this poem within the text of an old page torn from a book using a method of extracting poetry from the mundane, pre-existing visual word chatter of a random selection of writing. It's an activity that she, along with Mattapoisett Librarian Sue Pizzolato and me, engaged in on April 21, a Saturday morning, as a way of indulging in a month dedicated to poetry.

*I have my exposed, ridiculous and troublesome accidents,  
Set me down close.*

*I must need him and the trees  
I was walking under, a dozen apples  
each came tumbling at my desire,  
the provocation left me,  
a violent shower of hail  
struck the  
ground,  
I was down, my face a  
border of lemon-thyme,  
bruised.*

Pizzolato, like Flynn, is a poet in her own right. She is particularly skilled at seeking out the right words to stitch together the fabric of a feeling, a response revealed beneath the veil of another something entirely different conveyed by someone entirely different,



**On the Cover:** Blackening Out – Mattapoisett Librarian Sue Pizzolato “found” this poem in a page of text torn from a book last Saturday during a “blackout poetry” lab hosted at the library. Blackout poetry or “erasure” is created by blackening out words within random text, with only those words that are selected by the poet left behind. Photo by Jean Perry

distilling down a diluted page of paragraphs until all that remains are potent pinches of white space surrounding the allowed articulation, a divine dissection, poetic inception.

“People are discovering this little playful way they can react to words and with no pressure, create poems,” said Pizzolato.

The art of tearing out pages of text and extracting meaningful words and phrases is called “blackout poetry” or “erasure.” Guided by both instinct and intent, even an instructional manual on how to kayak can yield a poignancy that reveals an inner spark of the blackout poet’s pathos or creative ethos.

Flynn and Pizzolato set up a blackout poetry lab for guests to experiment with the art of found poetry, but as the time passed three women – and only three women – found themselves staying well past the allotted time, lost in the realm between black and white.

*Dependent upon the mind, you exist.  
We shut our eyes, also they are open.*

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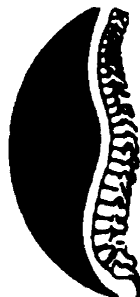
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*Must I think so many pictures if I understand the  
 divine mind, the copies of existence,  
 of God, the infinite God,  
 belonging to them and contained in them?  
 We are shadows and  
 God's a philosopher,  
 But in the abyss of boundless imagination  
 I do not know how to understand God or  
 conceive of His immensity.  
 As for the notions too fine for my gross thoughts  
 I cannot convey whatever the matter is.  
 The longer I think of them the more they  
 disappear and dwindle into nothing.*

– Jean Perry, courtesy of Samuel Johnson

## Panic in the Public Bathroom

*This Imperfect Life*

**By Jean Perry**

I never thought my next story idea would appear inside of a library bathroom.

Of all the places in the Universe, it's a pretty random place to find inspiration. I was only there for a tissue, a quick hand-washing, and a one-second glance in the mirror, but in the middle of all that while wiping my hands the tiny laminated sign above the toilet caught my eye.

"If your child is troubled by the automatic flush, please see the circulation desk for a simple solution."

Nothing was ever simple during the years my son was young. Those routine events that scaffold our every day – meals, outings, trips to the toilet – lucky are those who take for granted the ease and casual nature of these bits and bobs of life.

That little sign above the toilet took me back to a period in life I used to pray was only temporary, way back to a time when entering a bathroom with my young Autistic son – public bathrooms especially – was a complicated, chaotic cluster you-know-what that called for a steely spine, required vigilant observation of other people entering and leaving, the patience to wait for the right timing, and a prayer that nobody would hear the screaming and be concerned enough to call the cops. That and the utter urgency of a bladder full enough to make the dash into that realm of the scary and unpredictable assault

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on the senses to face my son's principal antagonist: the public toilet.

I now pause for a moment and ask ... What are the things in life that most frighten you? What gets your heart pounding and buckles your knees beneath you? What makes you change your mind and turn back?

If it's bugs, then you probably skip the picnics and eat indoors. If it's sharks, you stay close to shore. If you're afraid of heights, you stay off of ladders. These particular solutions really are simple. And if you ever *must* do any of these things, you put yourself in those environments and risk exposure and when it's over you make a mental note to limit the frequency of that particular experience in the future. If you happen to be afraid of the excessively loud swirl-suck, horrific hyper-flush, surge-spastic swooshing monster that is the public toilet, then you're out of luck. Completely avoiding this inevitability of contemporary human existence is rare.

I bet you never thought about the toilet flush as existential before. But the struggle and the horror is (sur) real. When you think bathroom, you're supposed to think ka-ka, not Kafka.

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With autism comes a complicated set of sensory integration dysfunction, where sometimes fluorescent lights are as blinding as the sun, or perhaps senses are jumbled and colors can be tasted, or any variation of the senses. For my boy, he can hear a bee buzzing seconds before it even comes close enough to be seen. If he would see a dog, he would immediately cover his ears because of the barking and the unpredictable nature of the sudden noises. Now imagine standing or sitting – or squatting – inside the stall of a public bathroom. Footsteps, the sounds of tearing off paper towels, and locks being slid shut and open echoing throughout with random screams of automated hand dryers off and on ... and then the seemingly random explosive noise of the flushing toilets from other stalls blasting out like dynamite bouncing off canyon walls sending the blasts back and forth and all around again as you sit helpless in an enclosed space with no immediate escape possible.

That's the Kafkaesque nature of the public bathroom to the Autistic child. Couple that with the limited understanding of what exactly happens when you flush the toilet, where it goes, and whether it's powerful enough to suck you in, and you have a dark anxiety-ridden short story straight out of Franz Kafka's tormented mind.

But the torment was simply unavoidable, and I – the tormentor – had to drag the poor boy with me into public toilets all over the place out of absolute necessity, and it killed me every time.

The boy's father lives in Canada, and so every now and then we would have to make the drive up there for a visit. I believe I've stopped at every single rest stop between Bridgewater and Ottawa, Ontario looking for the least traumatic bathroom ambience, but only ever finding 'least traumatic,' never 'non-traumatic.' But the boy was just a wee lad and he couldn't be left alone in the car; it just wasn't safe. Eight and a half hours of driving – even if two of those hours were without seatbelt in order to mitigate bladder pressure – still calls for at least one pit-stop.

If I was lucky, the entire bathroom would be empty. We avoided those 'visitor welcome center' rest stops intentionally. But whether there were others in there or not, there was always screaming. I remember one time when the boy was five. Man, I just had to go. There was no alternative. The rapid walk leading up to the door was an uninhibited screaming and flail-a-thon as I tried to hold onto him gently and reassure him it would be a fast trip in, which turned into begging for him to please just come and hold his hands over his ears until it was over. My preferred stop had one of those separate family bathrooms with only one toilet in it, and he would stand there, his ears covered desperately with his small hands, his face mangled in fear, trembling as he coped with the surging adrenaline in his bloodstream. I would relieve myself with a velocity that could rival any racehorse, and we would rush out of there before that automatic flush had the chance to say anything. A quick stop at the vending machine would usually smooth over the experience like a cartoon character Band-Aid would soothe a skinned knee, and soon we'd be on the road again with the accompanying aromatherapy of a Christmas stocking stuffer mini bottle of hand sanitizer – for there was never any time to use the sink.

When we went to Disney World, to our horror, every single toilet in the park was an automatic flush. With manual public toilet flushes at least there was some small degree of control; automatic flushes had a way of going off whenever they felt like it, literally. If they thought you had gotten up, even if you hadn't, they would go off. I really think the person who invented those things really was a shameless sadist more interested in scaring the crap out of people (no pun intended) rather than simply attempting to save humanity from toilet germs.

Disney's visitor services office had no real alternative either, except a sheet of Disney World stickers that we could stick onto the sensor. If Pavlov's dog was conditioned to adapt to punitive reinforcement and you rang a bell and held out a bone instead of a baseball bat to the face, chances are the poor little dog would still run

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away and hide.

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But the only option was to either leave – a non-option – or use the 'family' restroom and employ the sticker and the promise of an immediate treat post-trauma.

It did the trick, of course – sort of – but it wasn't perfect. It required consistent positive outcomes and loads of trust – more trust than one should have to invest in a caretaker.

What finally ended up lessening the degree of the fear was gentle indirect conditioning. We started watching public toilets flushing on YouTube. (Yes, people actually video record toilets flushing and post it to YouTube. You can find anything on YouTube – both a positive and a negative fact for humankind.) We would turn it up loud, or I would randomly play it during the day, only startling him slightly but reinforcing the gradual desensitization. We added a goal to his occupational therapy plan at the therapy center, and soon the boy was enjoying the thrill and anticipation of the loud, scary flush that he himself could control.

Today I'm confident that it's as close to pain-free as possible for him to go into a public restroom without any permanent damage. And all those times I dragged him in there, God forgive me please, while traumatic and seemingly cruel at the time, have left no obvious scars. And thankfully, no one ever called the cops on me thinking I was torturing or trying to kidnap the boy,



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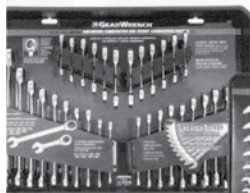


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although I've received my share of disapproving looks from others as we struggled to get through the everyday act of going to the toilet.

And now, now there is courage. A courage in the child that emerged from such a deeply-felt fear that didn't just cause emotional panic but actual physical pain. Those flushes are loud! And sometimes I'm shocked and flinch at how loud some automatic hand dryers are to someone without audio hypersensitivity.

Oh, and that simple solution at the library? It's a Post-It note over the sensor. And why didn't I ever think of that before?

If only there were more little laminated signs along the way to tell us what to do, offer us simple solutions to mitigate the scary, to flush away the fear and make the world an okay place for our kids.

And P.S., Mattapoisett Library – on behalf of all Autistic children, adults, and their parents, thank you. You have no idea how huge that little sign is to us.

## The Nursery: The Story of Vernal Pools By Marilou Newell

On a rare and recent sun-drenched spring afternoon, Gary Johnson of the Mattapoisett Land Trust pulled on his waders, picked up his insect net, and led a group of nature-starved humans into the woods at the Woodcock Preserve.

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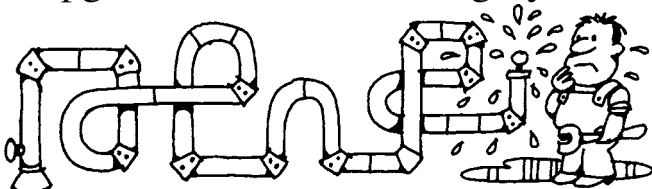
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Johnson told his rapt audience that frogs and salamanders live in uplands and dry wooded areas, but must breed in these pools absent of fish that would eat the eggs. Standing thigh-high in the Woodcock vernal pool, Johnson pointed out salamander egg sacs that clung to fallen tree branches along the water's edge. Iridescent, nay, resplendent in the spring sunlight, the eggs were shades of ivory and blue with dark interiors that promised new life to come.

Johnson said salamanders breed all at once in a single night known as "the big night," whereas wood frogs breed over a series of days. All come to the vernal pools where the cycle of life begins anew each season.

Certification of vernal pools requires the effort of people who appreciate the importance of these natural features to ensure future generations of these small creatures, many of which are endangered, threatened, or of special concern. These are the categories assigned to nearly all salamanders.

Johnson distributed vernal pool field observation forms that are readily available from the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MDFW) along with a checklist of common aquatic invertebrates with wonderfully evocative names such as whirligig beetle, water scorpion, water penny, and water strider. Oh, and the much less thrilling mosquito larva was also listed.

On the bank of the pool Johnson scooped up two shallow containers of pool water so we, the newly baptized vernal pool protectors, could observe various types of larva and nymphs. The containers were full of wiggling things, a world normally hidden from our view.

Johnson said that in order to have a vernal pool certified by the state – a step necessary in protecting them from human activity such as construction development – you must find at least five egg sacs. The MDFW also requires specific details on the location, dates of observation, maps, photographs, and property owner of record. It then evaluates the data and determines whether or not the pool may be classified and noted on state maps.

As Johnson hauled himself out of the pool he said, "Well, I have a leak in my left boot," and the group

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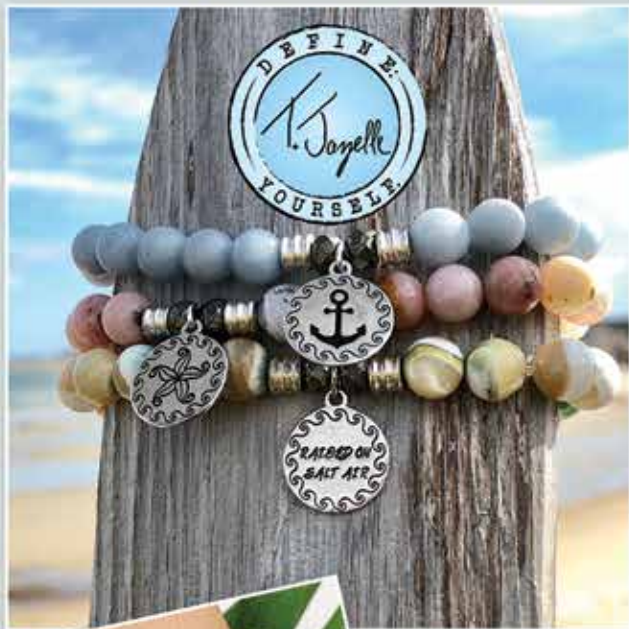
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## The Earthly Woodcock

By George B. Emmons

The American woodcock species has a fancy Latin classification

entitled Philohela Minor, but it is actually a down-to-Earth ground-nesting buff-colored bird with black markings as illustrated.

Slightly larger than a quail, it looks quite different with a long bill and a flexible upper mandible to probe deep into the ground to capture and extract earthworms, its



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staple diet. Sometimes they rock their bodies as they forage, shifting back and forth to prompt worms to move underground to make sounds helpful to detection.

The woodcock migrates to the region in spring from as far south as Louisiana, progressing northward in movement with the receding frost line that liberates access to food in the soil, which includes snails, spiders, flies, beetles, and ants. Habitat for nesting can be a shrubby forest, farm fields near abandoned orchards, or adjacent to wetlands.

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air, all the while emitting a rasping 'peent' (sound specific to the woodcock) to his mate below. At the very apex of his towering circular figure eight, he suddenly folds his wings and dives straight down to reunite with the female standing by to welcome him with the similar-sounding love song.

The nest itself is usually a shallow depression in leaf and twig litter just big enough for four eggs that imitate the hen's coloring, so camouflaged to be invisible, except for the large dark oval eye watching your every move. If you get too close, she will move away, feinting a characteristic Mother Nature impersonation of a broken wing trick to get your attention away from the nest. Once she feels her nest location has been discovered, she will move each of the eggs, one by one, tightly clasped between her legs and fly low over the ground to a more secret location. I have also seen a hen similarly moving each of her four chicks across a well-traveled road for their safety.

The name 'woodcock' comes from across the pond in jolly old England because of their routine habit of flying from a daytime resting covert to an evening feeding covert. Seeing this out the window of a thatched cottage, it was to be called "cockshut time" to close the shutters and latch them against the spirits of the cold damp air. The name of the English cocker spaniel also comes from an ability to find and flush this game bird for hunters. In this country, recent year-end bird surveys suggest populations slowly declining, but not from hunting.

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Rather, the decline is due to habitat destruction by building development and accumulated pesticides from aerial spraying.

As the woodcock survives for the pleasure of our bird watching today, if you stumble upon one in your trail walks, it may suddenly startle you with a frantic wispy whistling of wing beats – but all for naught, landing a short distance away only to come back after you have gone. For the future, conservation of the Earth-bound food and habitat is critical, as important to our environmental awareness as it is vital for species survival.

### Fire Chief Advocates Hard for New Pumper

*Rochester Board of Selectmen*

**By Jean Perry**

The special Thursday, April 19 meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was a time to test the persuasive argument skills of department heads promoting their Town Meeting Warrant capital spending articles hoping for positive recommendations from selectmen and the Finance Committee.

There were a number of articles for capital purchases that night, but the heftiest price tag of \$497,000 went to the Fire Department's proposal for a new pumper.

Fire Chief Scott Weigel said the pumper is probably the most important truck for the RFD given that Rochester severely lacks fire hydrants in most sections of town, and the 30 or so year-old pumper they have now is beyond any sustainable repair.



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"A beach house. Or maybe a 'near the beach' house."

Weigel said with the town expanding and with larger houses built, he needs to increase the water capacity and, as for the pumper, "I can't patch the truck anymore."

The new pumper would be "nothing fancy," Weigel said, just a work truck with no custom cab.

"I just find it to be very expensive," said Finance Committee Chairman Kristian Stoltenberg. "Your position is there's no alternative. This is what we have to get?" he asked Weigel.

Right, he said, and the one he's proposing meets the needs of his department.

Selectman Greenwood Hartley, voted as chairman that night, said he'd explored cheaper pre-owned options on the Internet and said the Town could spend \$200,000 less on a used pumper only two or three years old.

Selectman Brad Morse and Weigel both adopted the position that buying another used pumper would be "buying someone else's problem," and that there must be a good reason why a pumper would be up for sale only after such a short time.

But Hartley insisted one could fine "gems" on the Internet as alternatives.

"I know it's a big item, but it's something we don't replace very often," said Weigel. "And the amount of manpower that I have off the bat, to be able to get the equipment there ... set up a water supply," he said, a new pumper with an additional 1,000-gallon increase in capacity is what the job calls for, given the precariousness

of getting water to a fire fast enough with limited firefighters.

"From a Finance Committee view," Stoltenberg said, "I need to get educated because this is one heck of an expensive piece of equip... I'm trying to think of how we've been fighting fires all these years without this."

"We have one. We've always had one," stated a number of people inside the room all at once.

"If you don't show up with a reasonable amount of water ... a thousand gallons can sometimes mean the difference between you knocking [a fire] down or not," said Selectman Paul Ciaburri, who once was a firefighter.

During the meeting, Weigel also advocated for \$70,000 for a new truck and plow for the Highway Department to assist in bad weather, an article that came up just after one from the School department asking for \$25,400 for technology upgrades at Rochester Memorial School to replace computers, many of which are eight years old, prompting Finance Committee member David Arancio to comment, "If we're talking about RMS using eight-year-old computers and we're talking a \$21,000 article, I'd like to be fair to every department..."

Hartley thanked Weigel for bringing up the new pumper back in October instead of springing it on the Town later. Before Weigel left, Hartley suggested one last time, "But don't give up looking for a gem. You might find one!"

The Police Department was looking for a recommendation for \$31,000 to arm the department with Tasers and provide related technology and training, and another \$17,000 to be spread over five years for participation in an assurance program to insure and protect the new equipment, which seemed to garner the support of FinCom and the selectmen.

"It's a good investment," said Police Chief Paul Magee, advocating on behalf of the assurance program. "I think when they're used, they're used in usually very bad situations so the likelihood of damage is certainly there."

Other articles presented included a generator for the Town Hall to keep computer servers and sump pumps working during power outages. Facilities Manager Andrew Daniel said extensive flooding happened back in March, and Magee added that official emails and alerts couldn't be sent or received via official town emails when

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the servers are down, creating a problem. The natural gas-powered generator will cost \$12,000 and another article to waterproof the basement was proposed for \$31,000. The selectmen and the FinCom also considered a request from Weigel for an extractor to properly wash and decontaminate firefighter gear at \$20,600 and \$4,000 from the tax collector for an automated mail stuffer machine.

Another article discussed but not particularly appealing to the selectmen or the Finance Committee was \$12,500 proposed by the Board of Assessors for the five-year review that Assessor Jana Cavanaugh said is currently undertaken in-house, but five years from now, "The likelihood of us having to do this is very high."

Most towns do outsource their re-certification review because they don't have the staff qualified to do it in-house like Rochester currently does, Cavanaugh said.

After some discussion, the FinCom and selectmen agreed that the Town could probably take the risk and address it later if needed.

Other articles included creating additional stabilization funds for various departments and areas of spending.

The next two regular meetings of the Rochester Board of Selectmen were scheduled for Monday, April 23 at 7:00 pm, and Monday, May 7 at 6:00 pm, both at the Rochester Town Hall.

### 911 Transition On Track for May

*Rochester Board of Selectmen*

**By Jean Perry**

The Town's new regionalized 911 emergency response system will likely be online before the May 21 Annual Town Meeting, expected to start on May 15 as the newest participant in the Regional Old Colony Communications Center in Duxbury.

In preparation for the switchover, ROCCC dispatchers have gone on over 20 'ride-alongs' with Rochester officers to learn the various areas of Rochester and the landmarks and features unique to each part of Town.

Town Administrator Suzanne Szyndlar told the Rochester Board of Selectmen on April 23 that Rochester emergency responders have been meeting regularly with ROCCC representatives in Rochester for training and

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operations and protocol review sessions, and also to hold a meet-and-greet event to familiarize the staff from the Town and the ROCCC as they work closely together, even if remotely.

Szyndlar asked the board to attend any of the upcoming meetings as well to make for a more cohesive Town presence, and Szyndlar said she would be posting these meetings as selectmen meetings in case more than one arrives, constituting a quorum.

Also during the meeting, Szyndlar announced that the residents of the Annie Maxim House, a senior assisted living center, made a \$400 donation to the Town in gratitude for making them feel "safe and sound." The donation will be divided equally amongst the Fire,

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"That's very kind of the residents at Annie Maxim," said Selectmen Chairman Greenwood Hartley. "I'm sure each department will put that to good use."

Although it was on the agenda, the Old Colony R.V.T.H.S District Committee Appointing Authority rescheduled for a separate special meeting with the selectmen for committee appointments on Thursday, April 26 at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall.

The next regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen will be **May 7** at 6:00 pm at the Rochester Town Hall.

### **Selectmen Handle Wide-Ranging Agenda**

*Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen*

**By Marilou Newell**

On April 24, Mattapoisett's Board of Selectmen – Chairman Paul Silva, Tyler Macallister, and Jordan Collyer – along with Town Administrator Michael Gagne, covered a variety of topics in an agenda that included such diverse items as utility poles, fiscal budgets, new eateries, shellfish, and trees.

Regarding trees, Mattapoisett will be marking Arbor Day on Friday, April 27, at the Town Hall at 10:00 am, Tree Committee Chairman Sandy Hering said.



This is the eleventh year Mattapoisett has been recognized as a Tree City by the National Arbor Day Foundation for its work in ensuring the care of municipal trees and the planting of new trees. Working with Tree Warden Roland Cote, Hering said her committee has been able to maintain the town's commitment to municipal tree



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Gagne wished to take a few moments to recognize the efforts Cote has mounted, especially in light of the devastating winter storms that had blown through.

Gagne also wanted to get the message out to the public that trees abutting private property may belong to the Town and not the property owner.

"One big problem is when someone takes down a tree ten feet or so from the road." He said the Planning Board oversees municipal tree removal and that before a homeowner takes a tree down located near a public roadway, a call to the selectmen's office is necessary.

"We'll contact Roland, then we'll check to see if that tree is subject to the shade tree bylaw," Gagne said.

Hering pointed out that it isn't just the removal of trees but also the pruning of trees that needs careful consideration before work is done. Pruning of municipal trees is not allowed by property owners.

Silva read a proclamation declaring April 27 as Arbor Day in Mattapoisett and also thanked Cote for his hard work in the wake of massive storms.

The selectmen met with Steve Geary, a scheduler for Eversource, who faced a frustrated governing body. Gagne and Silva both pointed to the issue of duplicate poles and the subsequent poor management for removing them and repairing the holes left behind.

Gagne expressed even greater problems as he described a situation where coiled wires had been left behind on private property causing a hazard to the



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occupants. He said numerous calls to Eversource went unanswered. Gagne eventually had the offending cables removed by the town's Highway Department only to have the same action repeat itself a few weeks later.

Geary was unable to respond to the lack of coordination between various departments within Eversource. He said the utility's engineering division was responsible for filling in holes, but Silva said the poor quality of the repairs was problematic with the possibility of cave in which presented a hazard to pedestrians and cyclists.

Macallister said, "We had Verizon in twice... They said the problem was Eversource. The poles weren't listed in the database."

Eversource maintains a database for poles that they are responsible for updating when changes are made such as abandonment and subsequent need for pole removal.

Collyer asked, "How often do you audit the database ... for accuracy?" Geary wasn't sure it was audited. Geary said that mistakes probably took place in the office, but assured the selectmen that he would now be available to address their concerns moving forward.

"The system is ripe for improvement," Gagne said.

The upcoming Annual Town Meeting scheduled for May 14 at 6:30 pm in Old Rochester Regional High School auditorium and the warrant articles were discussed.

Gagne said that Articles 1 and 2 on the warrant would be new zoning bylaw amendments that would completely ban the commercial sale of recreational marijuana in Mattapoisett. He said legal counsel assisted in drafting the two articles and that each required a two-thirds vote to pass. He urged the public to attend Town Meeting.

The balance of what will be addressed at Town Meeting, Gagne said, included the FY19 budget along with water and sewer articles and articles being presented and supported by the Community Preservation Committee.

Gagne also said there would be a bylaw governing the installation and removal of utility poles and another that would prohibit putting snow in public ways. He said that when snow is pushed into public roadways, it becomes a travel hazard. The bylaw will carry a fine of \$100 and will be enforced by the Police Department.

There will be three Community Preservation Act articles in the warrant, Gagne said. Nominated as top priority of the three grants received was a grant in the amount of \$144,900 sought by the Town of Mattapoisett for repairs to a building located on the former Holy Ghost grounds. CPC Chairman John DeCosta said the committee believed it was necessary to provide funding for a new roof, doors, and windows to ensure the building's integrity.

Silva was a little put off by that sum, wondering in light of other pressing matters if that amount was

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too great. Gagne was in favor of the sum, saying it was important so that use of the building could begin, saying, "Your investment is small, but the value is high."

The second place grant was for a Dog Park proposed on the Police Department grounds in the amount of \$75,000. Gagne said the grantee, Freemin Bauer, had received cost estimates and is in the process of drafting a construction plan.

And last but not least, the CPC supports a grant in the amount of \$10,000 for a study of the American Legion Hall. Previously, the organization had asked for a handicap ramp and ADA-compliant bathrooms. But DeCosta explained that the committee was concerned with the overall structural competency of the building



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and thus would support only a study at this time.

Two action items on the agenda were all about food.

Coming before the selectmen were Robert Field and Susan Wilbur to renew their aquaculture license for another 10-year period. Doing business as Copper Beach Farm, the duo said that production was ramping and going well. Silva said that if ownership of the license changed fifty percent or more, they would be required to advise the selectmen.

Gagne said, "I did a field inspection several months ago... They are very conscientious of their equipment and care of the stock." He said the team is very sensitive that their operation fits the environment saying, "We are very fortunate ... their stock has even enhanced the native shell fish." The renewal was granted.

And then there is pizza! A public hearing was held for a request by Albert Meninno, Jr. for an on premise all alcohol license for his new restaurant, New Rustico, in the former How On Earth building, 62 Marion Road. The restaurant will feature brick oven pizza, pasta, and other family favorites, Meninno said. He said the license would add to the experience of eating out, but that it would be a family restaurant with hours no later than 10:00 pm on weekends. The license was approved, and Meninno planned to be fully operational by June.

The next meeting of the Mattapoissett Board of Selectmen is scheduled for **May 8** at 6:30 pm in the town hall conference room.

## Addition Approved For Ailing Patriarch

*Mattapoissett Zoning Board of Appeals*

**By Marilou Newell**

For one family, the April 18 meeting of the Mattapoissett Zoning Board of Appeals was like a Christmas morning, waking up to find you received what you had been dreaming of.

Representing the 6R North Street Nominee Trust, Thomas Dugan, was Doug Schneider of N. Douglas Schneider & Associates, Inc. as they sought a Special Permit to build a small single-story addition to create a first-floor master bedroom suite to an existing home.

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property owner to remain at home as health issues made accessing bedrooms and the only bathroom in the home on the second floor impossible. By creating a first floor suite, Dugan could remain in the home.

Schneider said the addition would be constructed on the north side of the existing dwelling with a 22-foot setback.

Representing several abutters whose property is located along Captain's Lane was Attorney Peter Paul.

He identified his client as Vera Gibbons who he said extended her welcome to the returning family while sharing that the Gibbons wanted to be good neighbors and "...Are in favor of the project." However, the issue of a drainage ditch came up again as it had during the Conservation Commission hearing the previous month.

Paul asked for assurances that the construction as proposed would not negatively impact the drainage along Captain's Lane and that the Dugan family would maintain the ditch in good operating condition.

Schneider said construction did not include changes to the topography of the property, no grading was planned, and that Dugan had agreed to maintain the drainage ditch.

"Doug's word is as good as gold," Paul said, but he did ask that the ditch maintenance be memorialized in any decision made by the board.

Coming forward to speak in favor of the project was Daniel Briggs of 3 North Street who said historic drainage issues plagued the area, but that he didn't see a



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problem with the project.

The project was approved with the drainage maintenance condition.

Also coming before the board was Carlton Veeder Construction for his client Robert Trudeau, 34 River Road, for the construction of a small 4-foot by 6-foot bump out to allow for a washing machine and dryer. The Special Permit was approved.

Finally, also seeking a Special Permit was Andrew Perkins for property owned by Byron Crampton, 10 Union Avenue. Perkins has been hired by the owners to construct a cantilevered deck addition to an existing home on stilts. He said the 4-foot addition would allow the family space to enjoy the home's views. The request was



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approved as proposed.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Zoning Board of Appeals is scheduled for **May 17** at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall.

### Board Wants Stricter Solar Bylaw

*Rochester Planning Board*

**By Jean Perry**

The Rochester Planning Board has some upgrades it wants to add to the Town's solar bylaw, and on April 24 board members discussed the best ways to go about bolstering the bylaw and making it a bit more restrictive.

At the top of the list, the board wants to impose a 300-foot setback from any roadway, public or private,

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unless existing topographical features would naturally screen the solar panels from view.

"That's not unheard of," said Planning Board Chairman Arnie Johnson. "I think this would help us try to preserve somewhat without being too invasive on property owners' rights."

But as board member Gary Florindo pointed out, being too close to the panels is just as important to abutting property owners as it is for people passing by on the roads, sending the conversation in another direction with the suggestion of imposing a setback on property lines.

The state and the ensuing bylaws are relatively accommodating to solar developers, Florindo pointed out, "But we should also be accommodating the taxpayers of Rochester." After all, added board member Ben Bailey, people don't move to Rochester so they can look out their windows and see a bunch of steel and glass. And with six or seven solar projects lining up for Planning Board approval, as Town Planner Steve Starrett pointed out, the board should get its proverbial ducks in a row.

Board member Chris Silveira suggested that within the residential/agricultural zone – pretty much most of Rochester – maybe current regulations surrounding those setbacks would already apply, and maybe the same 100-foot setback for a "major farm building" should apply to solar panels.

"They are structures," Johnson pondered.

"Yeah they are," said Bailey, "and they're a major

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structure.”

The board agreed to pose the legal question to Town Counsel Blair Bailey, and if he did not see it that way then the board may pursue a 100-foot setback from abutting lot lines in the solar bylaw.

The board also seeks to reduce the threshold for defining “large-scale” solar farms from 250 kilowatts to 200 kilowatts.

Johnson said he would prefer to address large-scale tree clear-cutting in regards to solar projects as well, but town counsel advised not to try to make too many changes to the bylaw at one time, at the risk of Town Meeting voting down an article proposing numerous changes all at once – something that has happened in the

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An article that was sponsored by the Board of Selectmen to extend the recreational marijuana establishment moratorium until July 2019 will be vetted during an imminent public hearing before the Planning Board, but according to Starrett, the Attorney General's Office has declared that it would not be approving any further moratoriums beyond the December 31, 2018 date of expiration. Johnson was unsure how that would play out on the Town Meeting floor, but the board's only concern is hosting the public hearing and making its own decision on whether to recommend, not recommend, or take no position on the article.

As Johnson pointed out, if the townspeople preferred to ban all recreational marijuana establishments in town, the article would have to be approved by Town Meeting and then a subsequent ballot question would have to pass.

Another article that will be vetted during a public hearing is an amendment to the Site Plan Review Bylaw specifying that an applicant who needs approval by both the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals shall appear before the ZBA before it must seek approval from the Planning Board – a “housekeeping” item, as Johnson put it. This amendment would simply save the applicant money on engineering costs and also time, since a project could not come to fruition without ZBA approval and the Site Plan Review is a lengthy process with the Planning Board.

This matter came up during the Rochester Farms appeal, with the appellant party arguing that the bylaw implies a project should go to the Planning Board first before the ZBA.

“So this clarifies it and closes that loophole,” said Johnson.

The public hearings for all these bylaw change articles will be during the board's May 16 meeting.

In other matters, Johnson announced that the board's approval of the Borrego Solar Systems solar farm slated for the corner of Rounseville Road at Mendell Road was appealed and will be heard during a public hearing before the Zoning Board of Appeals on May 24 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

The next meeting of the Rochester Planning Board is scheduled for **May 8** at 7:00 pm at the Rochester senior center on Dexter Lane.

## Cluster Housing Proposed For Chapel Street

*Mattapoisett Planning Board*

**By Marilou Newell**

Bill Madden of G.A.F. Engineering, Inc. came before the Mattapoisett Planning Board on April 23 to engage the members and public in an informal discussion of a proposal for cluster housing on Chapel Street off Marion Road.

Known in bylaws as a Special Residential Development (SRD), Madden said his client, David Nicolosi, sought the opportunity to discuss the project before committing additional engineering resources.



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Madden's presentation included two layouts of the 3.65-acre site: one plan with five standard lots, two of which would require massive wetland disruptions; and a second plan that also included five lots, but these lots would be very small compared to standard lot sizes and cluster the five proposed residences all on uplands area, avoiding intrusion into the wetlands.

Madden said the first plan would be a Form A submittal, meaning that existing roadways and frontages would be used. But the second plan included Form C lots, saying it was "...a better project for Mattapoisett," given that it would offer a different style of homeownership and would not require the filling-in of wetlands.

Madden said the Form C plan would allow

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home seekers to purchase a smaller, more manageable lot size, potentially of interest to senior citizens looking to downsize. "This creates a different plan you haven't seen before," he told the Planning Board members.

Turning to the requirements of SRD bylaws, Madden said the cluster concept met all the criteria and that public water and sewer would service the homes.

Part of the cluster plan Madden described would allow for the gifting of some 2.5 acres to the Mattapoisett Land Trust for permanent conservation protection. He said low impact development practices would be employed.

But Planning Board member Janice Robbins disagreed, saying, "This is not a subdivision; it doesn't meet the basic requirements."

Madden countered that when the bylaw was dissected there was a discrepancy under definitions, a discrepancy that the Planning Board could fix. "There's a little discretion on the part of the Planning Board."

Planning Board Administrator Mary Crain said town counsel advised that the yield plan could include Form A lots.

"SRD rules can be changed by the Planning Board," Madden repeated. "This is the better plan, with the least amount of disruption.... Housing is needed in town."

Robbins pondered, "You have three lots that are buildable right now. The problem I have with the cluster development premise is, is it a better overall development? ...Are you premature to go to cluster development before you know whether or not the wet ones (lots) can be developed?" Madden replied that they would have to go through that exercise first.

"This project offers diversity to different age groups," Madden responded when asked if the housing type wouldn't be attractive to first-time homeowners versus simply senior citizens downsizing. "The SRD would not be an age-restricted program."

Robbins remained doubtful that the project could qualify as a cluster development. "The fact that wetlands would not be touched is a positive," said Robbins, "but basic questions of whether it is a subdivision are there."

The discussion was tabled for further study. Also coming before the Planning Board was



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David Davignon of N. Douglas Schneider & Associates for his client Dennis Arsenault for a proposed two-lot subdivision located at the end of Snow Fields Road. However, before the public hearing could begin, Davignon asked a procedural question: "Do you use the Mullin Rule?"

Davignon asked, with only three Planning Board members in attendance, would absent members be allowed to submit a Mullin affidavit? The affidavit would allow absent member(s) to watch the meeting videotape, study submitted documentation, and while present at the next meeting ask questions.

Saying it was in the best interest of his client, Davignon asked for a continuation, much to the chagrin of the six or so abutters who were in attendance. The continuation was granted until the next Planning Board meeting scheduled for **May 7** at 7:00 pm in the town hall conference room.

### **New Housing Proposed Off Route 6**

*Mattapoisett Conservation Commission*

**By Marilou Newell**

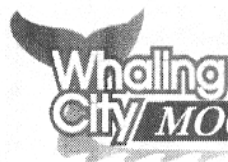
On April 23, the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission began the process of reviewing a multi-structure project proposed off Marion Road/Route 6 by Stingray City Realty Corporation, William Bachant, for a parcel owned by Rahim Aghai.

Representing the applicant in the Notice of Intent hearing was Robert Rego, River Hawk Environmental,

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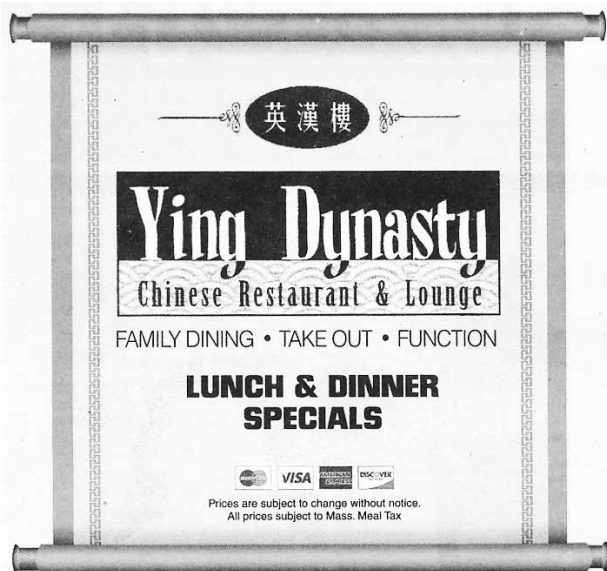
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who presented the project described as one single-family dwelling and one two-family structure.

Rego said the project consists of 3.75 acres on the south side of Marion Road with a perennial stream bisecting the property. He said that construction would involve 200 feet of the riverfront area and would totally involve the 100-foot buffer zone with 10 percent of the area being developed.

Regarding sewer access, Rego said the project included three pump chambers that would move sewage to the public sewer service available to the site and that public water was also planned.

Stormwater and drainage management was described by Rego as including collection of roof runoff to



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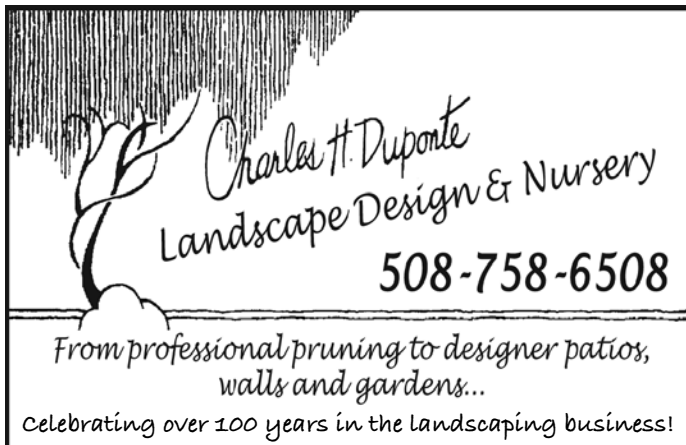
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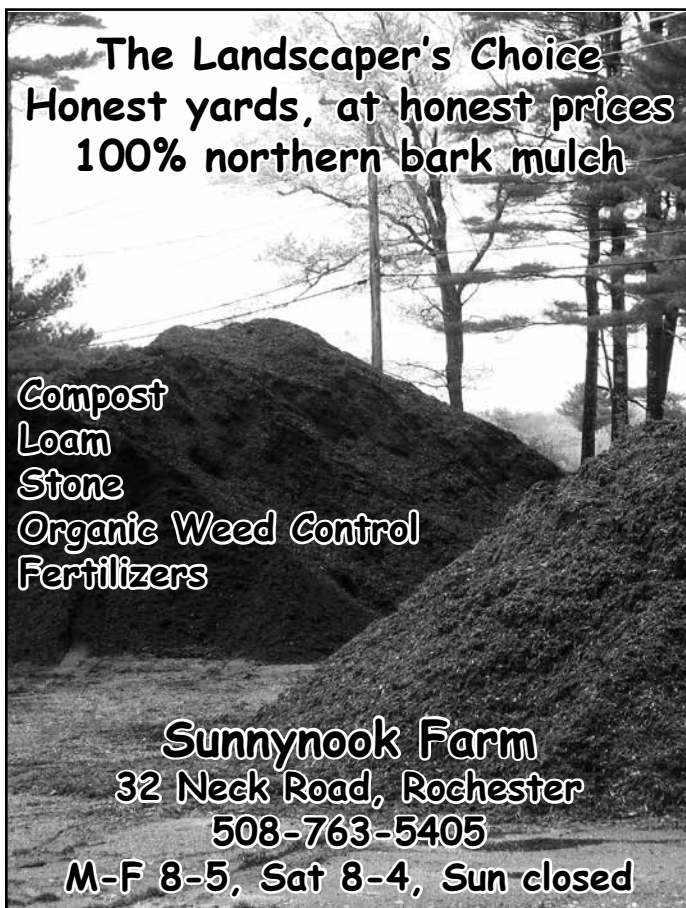
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It was noted from current photographs that the site had already been disturbed and evidenced dumping in jurisdictional areas.

Rego said that before construction, a permanent fence along the wetlands boundary could be installed and debris cleared.

Conservation Agent Elizabeth Leidhold offered suggestions that included terracing of a severe slope to minimize runoff into wetlands, a pre-construction meeting and subsequent regular updates throughout duration of construction, and monitoring of the site during heavy rain events to avoid and mitigate erosion.



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She also asked the commissioners to consider whether or not a peer review consultant might be needed.

Chairman Mike King said, "I hope that your project won't add to sediment flow." He also said that dumping of construction materials, a problem the commission has had to deal with on other projects, could not be an issue on this one saying, "...That concerns us." He also said he'd like to see firm start and completion dates for the project.

Commissioner Trevor Francis said he needed time to study the project and the potential for a peer review consultant.

King said, "Personally, I don't think a consultant will give us anything more." He asked if the Department of Environmental Protection had "weighed-in" on the project. Leidhold said they had not. "There's no question we need housing stock in Mattapoissett," King added.

The hearing was continued until May 15 at which time Rego will return with updated drawings based on the commission's comments.

Also coming before the commission was David Davignon of N. Douglas Schneider & Associates for Timothy Eilertsen, 0 Brant Island Road, for the construction of a single-family home.

The lot had previous been conditioned for construction by the commission, but now with a new owner the proposed residence and surrounding area had been changed. Eilertsen's project would include adding fill and grading within the buffer zone to create a landscaped lawn space up to 5-feet along the 50-foot no-touch zone.

Davignon said that Natural Heritage's April letter indicated no adverse impact from the project and that a permanent rail and post fence along the no touch zone would be installed. The Notice of Intent filing received standard conditioning by the commission and was green-lighted for development.

Davignon also represented Tom Jackivicz and Pamela Pierce for a vacant recreational lot located adjacent to 17 Third Street. The applicants proposed adding fill to the center of the lot to eliminate ponding during rain events, and construction of a patio and fire pit.

King said the patio would have to conform with



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standards for construction in a coastal zone; therefore, the patio would have to be dry-block versus poured concrete. The Request for Determination of Applicability filing received a Negative 3 determination.

Upgraded sewer projects filed under Requests for Determination of Applicability were approved for Diane and Susan Zartman, 116 Acushnet Road, and Patrick Diggings, 2 Bay Shore Drive.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission is scheduled for **May 15** at 6:30 pm in the town hall conference room.

### **Planning Board Cautions ZBA on 324 Front Street**

*Marion Zoning Board of Appeals*

**By Jean Perry**

As anticipated, Peter Douglas' appeal of the building commissioner's denial for zoning enforcement of Christian Loranger's 324 Front Street condominium construction was continued until May 24.

Zoning Board of Appeals member Bob Alves, acting as chairman in Marc LeBlanc's absence, read a



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statement announcing the public hearing would be continued without any testimony from Douglas or the public.

"This case is going to be continued without testimony," Alves read. "We do not have enough voting members of the Zoning Board, town counsel could not be present, and the building commissioner, Scott Shippey, could not be present."


There were about 15 people present for the hearing apart from Douglas, including Planning Board Chairman Eileen Marum and Planning Board member Steve Kokkins.

According to Douglas, some data submitted on Loranger's building permit application was incorrect, including the total volume of living space inside the demolished structure, leading the way for a new structure that is greater in livable space volume than what should have been allowed. Loranger, asserts Douglas, has converted attic and basement space into habitable "below-grade" volume space that was not part of the original structure's habitable space.

Douglas, during his two presentations to Planning Board members on April 2 and 17, asked the board members to give this recommendation to the ZBA: "The Planning Board believes that the only possible rational interpretation of the term 'volume' in Zoning Bylaw 6.1G is above-grade volume [(not basement)], since any other interpretation of the term ... would clearly contravene the obvious purpose of that Bylaw and make a completely perverse nonsense of that Bylaw," as Douglas wrote in a typed submission to the Planning Board.

The Planning Board responded to the ZBA's request for comment in a letter Alves deemed too lengthy to read aloud in its entirety, but a copy of that letter displayed a strong recommendation from the Planning Board for the ZBA to halt any further construction at 324 Front Street until the alleged permitting discrepancies are resolved.

"... [It] seems clear to us that the ZBA will want to devote extremely careful attention to the accuracy, validity and professional reliability of the data submitted to the Building Department..." the letter further states. "If discrepancies are revealed in the volume calculations used as the basis for the new building, the ZBA should



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take immediate action and require that the developer modify the project so as to comply with the zoning bylaws."

A letter read aloud from the Board of Health expressed no objection to the project given that it is served by municipal sewer and water, but a letter from the Conservation Commission stated that Loranger's project still required a filing due to a portion of the work occurring inside a flood zone, which to date has not been filed.

Resident Diana Worley, 329 Front Street, stood to speak from a written statement, but was cut off and offered a chance to speak at the next meeting on May 24. Worley contended that she was the only abutter who had received notification of the public hearing, and the board told her it would explore why that would happen if it did indeed happen that all abutters were not duly notified.

"Why continue?" asked Worley. "It just seems like along way away and meanwhile the building construction continues."

"Ridiculous..." a woman in the back of the room commented.

The next meeting of the Marion Zoning Board of Appeals is **May 24** at 7:30 pm at the Marion Town House.

## BOH Wants to Control Homegrown Marijuana

*Marion Board of Health*

**By Jean Perry**

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and require a permit for private residents to grow recreational marijuana at home, and it approved the draft regulation during its April 24 meeting.

The board has been under the advisement of its casual consultant, Cheryl Sbarra from the Massachusetts Association of Health Boards, on possible municipal regulation of recreational marijuana commercial establishments, and in a general "model" regulation she provided to the board there is a policy option to permit and regulate "grow your own" so-called "operations." This option, however, is marked by an asterisk because Sbarra, and the committee she sits on, is uncertain any board of health has the legal authority to do so.

The law that was enacted upon voters' adoption of the 2016 statewide referendum Question 4 to legalize recreational marijuana granted to citizens the right to grow six plants per adult, up to 12 plants, within the home without a permit.

The Marion Board of Health's draft regulation does not specify how much they would like to charge a resident for a permit to home grow marijuana that they are legally allowed to grow, but the regulation does specify that permits would expire on December 31 of every year and need to be renewed.

The board also inserted a section that would require compliance of home inspections. The section reads, "Each applicant shall submit to a pre-approval inspection by the Marion Board of Health or its designated agents, which may include fire officials and building inspectors, to ensure that the location for cultivation complies with public health and safety requirements and practices, including fire safety and building code provisions."

Another section states that residents would have to submit to further "reasonable" inspections, while another section states that, should the Board of Health or its agents encounter mold or other diseases infecting the plants, the Town could then destroy the plants, "...as

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well as surrounding plants, to prevent a threat to the public's health."

In a follow-up after the meeting, the Board of Health was not entirely confident on what it was they were regulating. When asked if the regulations they approved that night would regulate the six plants per adult (12 maximum per house) or some additional marijuana growing operating inside a home, Chairman John Howard replied, "I'm not sure."

Howard said he was not sure how many plants an adult was allowed to grow at home at this time, and whether a town-issued permit would affect that number.

When asked why the board chose to include a section requiring a home cultivation permit, which is

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not required in any Massachusetts community, Howard mistakenly stated, "The [Cannabis Control Commission] established that as part of the state regulation."

The CCC released its comprehensive regulations on recreational adult-use marijuana commercial and retail establishments in March, but it did not include any language pertaining to personal home cultivation that would supersede the referendum vote that permits home growing.

The board's draft regulation does not state a specific fee it would impose should it find legality in the measure, nor did it state any penalty or how it would enforce its regulation.

The rest of the regulations pertain to commercial marijuana establishment licenses, which do not appear to deviate from the CCC's regulations released in March.

The Board of Health must hold a public hearing on its proposed marijuana regulations allowing for public comment before voting the regulations into law. That public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, May 22, at 4:30 pm at the Marion Town House.

The next regular meeting of the Marion Board of Health is scheduled for **May 8** at 4:30 pm at the Marion Town House.

## Mattapoisett Expands School Choice

*Mattapoisett School Committee*

**By Sarah French Storer**

With a fiscal year 2019 school budget increasing by a mere 1.1 percent, the Mattapoisett School Committee chose to more broadly share the benefits of the quality education they provide by expanding the School Choice program. After hearing from a few supportive residents, and one Finance Committee chair opposed to the notion, the committee voted unanimously to expand the program at the public hearing on April 23.

The Massachusetts Department of Education asks that every town hold a public hearing on School Choice each spring. School Superintendent Doug White outlined how the School Choice process works, indicating that if a school district decides to provide School Choice, it then must determine how many slots to provide and in what grades.

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with two of them filled. The student in the third slot left the school system last year. The Mattapoisett School Choice program is a lottery-based system and applies to Kindergarten through Grade 6.

School Committee Chairman Rachel Westgate opened the public hearing by reading a letter sent by town residents Jerry and Cindy Johnson that spoke strongly in favor of School Choice. The Johnsons' letter stated that School Choice enriches the experience of the school community and provides opportunity to increase the diversity in the classroom by bringing in students outside of Mattapoisett.

Pat Donoghue, the Mattapoisett Finance Committee chair, rose to speak against School Choice, saying that the tuition provided by the state of \$5,000 per student doesn't come close to covering the actual cost of \$15,000 to educate a student. Donoghue also cautioned the committee that while the student population continues to decline, with the attendant reduction in class sections "... [We are] on the cusp to keep students at twenty or less, so adding School Choice can throw that off."

Later in the meeting, committee member James Muse clarified that each additional student does not cost the town the full \$15,000 as costs are built into what's already budgeted, and the \$5,000 tuition reimbursement from the state is a big help.

David Anderson of Pine Island Road spoke vociferously in favor of providing School Choice to "[Those who] have close ties to the town but live elsewhere." Anderson, who pointed out that his family has been paying taxes in town since 1838, takes great pride in Mattapoisett schools, saying, "Each student has something unique to add to the class.... [The committee] should welcome it, not fight it ... and take a broader view..." of School Choice.

"I have some skin in the game," said Anderson, whose father Hayden Anderson was principal at Center School 90 years ago, when he said it was the diversity of population in the schools that made the schools excellent, adding, "If it means increasing my taxes again, go for it!"

Resident Kimberly Ward refuted Donoghue's contention that the finances of School Choice don't work, indicating that at ORR Junior High School, where there

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are 30 School Choice slots, there was a balanced budget.

After closing the public hearing, the committee discussed further the merits of School Choice. With the student population declining from a high of 487 in FY12 down to 438 this past October, and the subsequent reduction of a kindergarten and 4<sup>th</sup> grade section, the committee had to weigh the benefit of increasing School Choice slots with the fine balance of keeping the class size down below 20 students per section.

White observed that research shows that it is beneficial to start a School Choice student as early as possible so that there is a continuity of curriculum as they move through the district. Based on Mattapoisett's School Choice policy, siblings of current School Choice students would be given priority for open slots.

School Principal Rosemary Bowman said the greatest concern of parents who inquired about School Choice was that their child would need to enter the lottery transitioning from 6<sup>th</sup> grade to junior high school. The committee agreed that providing slots in the earliest grade possible was best for the student, and Bowman recommended kindergarten and second grade for the slots.

Patrick Spencer, the school business administrator, reminded the committee that the School Choice program is a lottery-based program, saying, "I'm not trying to persuade or dissuade. The student [filling the slot] could need services ... and it takes time to get the funding for that student above and beyond the tuition."

Muse suggested that the committee continue the School Choice program and increase the available slots from three to four. Committee member Patrick LeClair proposed a slot in kindergarten and a slot in second grade, where there is the smallest cohort of students. White clarified that there could be two kindergarten school choice slots filled, or one second grade slot and one kindergarten slot filled, but in any case, not more than one second grade slot would be filled.

The vote to continue School Choice and to expand the program was unanimous.

In other important business, the committee held a FY 2019 budget public hearing. White and other staff went through the budget, \$6,994,224, which is an increase of 1.1 percent. Highlights of the budget were the reduction of two teaching positions due to reduced student enrollment, the out-sourcing of the custodial services, and the shifting of the school nursing staff to provide a full-time nurse at each school. The committee voted unanimously to approve the budget as presented.

Westgate reported that she met with members of the School Department to discuss school safety and said, "I feel confident the [school district] is doing what's needed to keep our kids safe." New security vestibules and new technology have been installed at both Center and Old Hammondtown schools for added school security.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett School Committee is scheduled for **May 21** at 6:30 pm at Center School.



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1:30 PM Upper Cape Tech Presents  
2:00 PM Carpe Diem  
2:30 PM New England Authors with Kameel Nasr  
3:00 PM Books and the World  
3:30 PM Personal Finance Playbook  
4:00 PM Si-Fi Journal  
5:00 PM The Mario and Dennis Show  
5:30 PM Arts Alive  
6:00 PM The O! Melodious! Show  
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show  
7:00 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show  
7:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes  
8:00 PM Ghost Chronicles  
9:00 PM Media Edge  
11:00 PM Old Time TV Show

Sunday April 29, 2018

7:00 AM 30 Medical Minuets  
7:30 AM Today's Message  
8:00 AM Chef's Table  
9:00 AM Rochester's First Congregational Church Sermon  
10:30 AM Tae Kwon Do  
11:00 AM Carpe Diem  
11:30 AM Cinemaniacs  
12:30 PM Euro Kitchen  
1:00 PM Old Colony TV Episode 4  
1:30 PM Arts Alive  
2:00 PM Rochester's First Congregational Church Sermon  
3:30 PM A Vetren Story  
4:00 PM Two Tones with George Lopes  
4:30 PM Neighbor to Nations  
5:30 PM Opioid Forum  
7:00 PM Sippican Historical Society  
8:00 PM Sippican Historical Society  
9:00 PM The Old Time TV Show  
10:30 PM The Old Time TV Show

Monday April 30, 2018

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Navigating the Way for

Seniors

8:00 AM Seniors on the Move  
8:30 AM Books and the World  
9:00 AM Small Factory Productions  
9:30 AM Curious Giraffe  
10:00 AM What's Linda Cooking?  
10:30 AM Eat Well Be Happy  
11:00 AM The Steve Katsos Show  
12:00 PM Old Time TV Shows  
2:00 PM A Taste of Theater  
2:30 PM The Kamla Show  
3:00 PM Tae Kwon Do  
3:30 PM Perils For Pedestrians  
4:00 PM Rochester Historical Society  
4:30 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk  
5:00 PM The Autistic Ascension  
6:00 PM Deutsch Welles  
6:30 PM Deutsch Welles  
7:00 PM Deutsch Welles  
7:30 PM The Collective Chat  
8:00 PM The Mario and Dennis Show  
8:30 PM Don't Dis My Ability  
9:30 PM Democracy Now!  
10:30 PM Conversation with Dr. Don  
11:30 PM Conversation with Dr. Don

Tuesday May 1, 2018

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move  
8:00 AM Navigating the Way for Seniors  
8:30 AM 30 Medical Minuets  
9:00 AM Small Factory Productions  
9:30 AM Chico and Bman  
10:00 AM What's Linda Cooking?  
10:30 AM 100 Mile Meals  
11:00 AM The Steve Katsos Show  
12:00 PM Old Time TV Show  
1:00 PM Movie  
2:00 PM A Taste of Theater  
2:30 PM The Kamla Show  
3:00 PM Wicked Good Food  
3:30 PM Garage X  
4:00 PM Film for Justice  
5:00 PM Hollywood Movie Maker  
5:30 PM Sidewalk Entertainment  
6:00 PM Playhouse Theater  
6:30 PM Legal Ease  
7:00 PM Registers Report  
7:30 PM Money Matters TV  
8:00 PM Beyond my Crisis  
8:30 PM Fox Robbins Business Show  
9:00 PM Fox Robbins Business Show  
9:30 PM Science 360  
10:30 PM South Coast Matters  
11:00 PM STEM in 30  
11:30 PM Opioid Form

Wednesday May 2, 2018

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Navigating the Way for

Seniors

8:00 AM Seniors in Motion  
8:30 AM Dr. Carey's Baby Care  
9:00 AM Chico and Bman  
9:30 AM Small Factory Productions  
10:00 AM What's Linda Cooking?  
10:30 AM Wicked Good Food  
11:00 AM The Steve Katsos Show  
12:00 PM Movie  
1:30 PM Tae Kwon Do  
2:00 PM A Taste of Theater  
2:30 PM The Kamla Show  
3:00 PM Wicked Good Food  
3:30 PM Talking Trek Show  
4:30 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk  
5:00 PM Dukes of Sports  
6:00 PM Feminist Media Review  
6:30 PM Deutsch Welles  
7:00 PM Deutsch Welles  
7:30 PM Deutsch Welles  
8:00 PM J9 on 9  
8:30 PM The Autistic Ascension  
10:00 PM Words on Film  
11:00 PM The Weakness

## MARION GOVERNMENT

### Comcast Channel 95

### Verizon Channel 39

#### Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion School Committee - April 11, 2018  
8:00 AM Marion Conservation Commission - April 11, 2018  
9:30 AM Marion Board of Selectmen - April 17, 2018  
10:00 AM Marion Planning Board - April 17, 2018  
11:30 PM Marion School Committee - April 11, 2018  
12:30 PM Marion Conservation Commission - April 11, 2017  
2:00 PM Marion Board of Selectman - April 3, 2018  
2:30 PM Marion Planning Board - April 17, 2018  
4:00 PM Marion School Committee - April 11, 2018  
5:00 PM Marion Conservation Commission - April 11, 2017  
6:30 PM Marion Board of Selectman - April 17, 2018  
7:00 PM Marion Planning Board - April 17, 2018

## ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT

### Comcast Channel 95

### Verizon Channel 40

#### Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Old Rochester Regional School Committee - March 29, 2018  
9:30 AM Old Rochester Public Hea-

ring and District School Committee - March 27, 2018  
2:00 PM Rochester Board Selectmen - April 19, 2018  
2:30 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - April 17, 2018  
4:00 PM Rochester Planning Board - April 10, 2018  
5:30 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - April 12, 2018  
6:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectman - April 19, 2018  
7:30 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - April 17, 2018  
8:00 PM Rochester Planning Board - April 10, 2018  
10:00 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - April 12, 2018  
11:00 PM Rochester School Committee - March 29, 2018

## EDUCATION CHANNEL

### Comcast Channel 97

### Verizon Channel 37

#### Daily Schedule

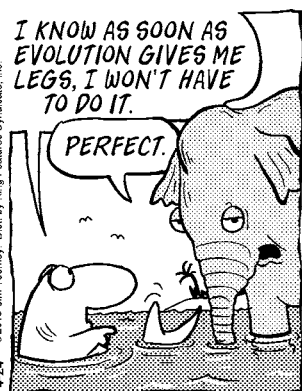
7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly  
7:30 AM ORR AP Seminar  
9:00 AM ORR/JHS Drama Talk Show  
10:30 AM OC Boys Basketball vs Diman  
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
12:30 PM Old Colony TV  
1:00 PM Adolescent Drug Use Seminar  
2:30 PM ORR Boys Hockey vs Taunton  
5:00 PM OC Girls Lacrosse vs Middleboro  
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
6:30 PM Old Colony TV  
7:00 PM OC Boys Lacross vs GNBVT  
8:00 PM ORR Girls Alumni Basketball Game  
9:00 PM ORR Softball vs Seekonk  
10:00 PM ORR Boys Alumni Basketball Game  
11:00 PM ORR Girls Hockey vs Boston Latin

## MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT

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### Old Rochester Girls' Lacrosse Starts Strong

*High School Sports Update*

By Nick Friar

Old Rochester girls' lacrosse has wasted no time establishing its dominance. The Bulldogs improved to 5-0 (3-0 South Coast Conference) on the season after blowing past Mansfield 13-9 on Monday, with **Madison Cooney** scoring six goals as she continues to lead this offense.

But the success is not solely a result of her scoring.

In fact, Old Rochester head coach Scott Tavares expressed that face-offs have been crucial to the team's success. That's where **Megan Shay** and **Maggie Carroll** have dominated.

"We're well-balanced. We've been playing well in all phases of the game," Tavares said. "A lot of it starts with winning face-offs, and we've been able to pretty much control and dominate the draw. You score a goal and you win the face-off, you can go right back on offense. So that's been helpful."

Winning games by 17 goals, like Old Rochester did in the 18-1 win over Bourne, displays the firepower this team possesses. **Katherine Tracey** had three in that one to go with her two assists, while Cooney had five, Carroll had four, and Shay finished with three.

But the defense has been just as dominant, limiting shots from going toward goalie **Gates Tenerowicz**, who had 11 saves against Mansfield and five against Bourne.

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# OBITUARIES



**John J. Lopes**, 83, of Marion, died April 16, 2018 in St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford. He was the husband of Joanne A. (Rezendes) Lopes and the son of the late George and Minnie (Lopes) Lopes.

He was born in New Bedford and lived in Marion for many years.

Mr. Lopes worked as a Machine Operator in the area before retiring.

He was an amateur boxer.

Survivors include his wife, Joanne A. (Rezendes) Lopes of Marion; his son, John Lopes of Dartmouth; his granddaughter, Ashley M. Melita of Acushnet; his former daughter-in-law, Sandra Lopes of Westport. He was the grandfather of the late John Lopes.

His graveside service was held on Saturday, April 21, 2018 in Evergreen Cemetery, Converse Road & Rte. 6, Marion.



**Ellen Hanlon Ogilvie**, 83, died April 11 at her home in Marion, MA. She was preceded in death by her husband, William "Bill" F. Ogilvie in 2004.

Ellen was born in 1934 to Joseph and Catherine Hanlon in Brooklyn, NY. She was an only child and enjoyed the friendship of many cousins.

With her strong interest in education of all kinds, Ellen earned a degree in Education from College of Mount St. Vincent. She promptly went to work as a math teacher at Washington Irving High School in New York, NY in 1955.

Ellen took a hiatus from teaching shortly after marrying her husband, Bill, in July 1958. They were married in New York, and enjoyed living and raising their family in many different parts of the country, including New Jersey, Colorado, Ohio and Oklahoma.

As Ellen and her family moved around the United States, she was often "the new kid in town." Consequently, she developed a knack for establishing friendships such that she and her family always had a supportive network that allowed them all to grow and thrive. Acquaintances from all periods of Ellen's life fondly recall her as a good friend who consistently made them feel welcome and special.

Ellen was a loving and attentive mother, ready to help her children overcome challenges and embrace opportunities. Her son Joe recalls her as instrumental in helping him conquer dyslexia, as well as being an enthusiastic supporter of his passion for table tennis. As her children grew and left home, Ellen resumed teaching math in Bartlesville, OK and Lorain, OH.

Ellen was an energetic participant in the life of every community in which she lived. She was a champion of education and a strong supporter of women's rights. She was an active member of American Association of University Women,

as well as the League of Women Voters. Always interested in sharpening her mind, she was an avid bridge player and member of multiple book clubs throughout her life.

Ellen is survived by a vast and loving family, including daughter Catherine Ogilvie and her husband Bruce Yarnall, grandchildren Elizabeth Yarnall and Izadora Yarnall of Stonington, CT; son Joseph "Joe" Ogilvie, his wife Fiona Lally-Ogilvie, grandchildren Francesca Lally, John Jude Ogilvie, Liam Ogilvie and Josephine Ogilvie of New Lebanon, NY; son William "Bill" F. Ogilvie, Jr, of Austin, TX; and daughter Margaret Ogilvie Gee and her husband Clark Gee of Marion, MA.

She is also survived by sister-in-law Marguerite Christe, of Juno Beach, FL; and cousins Arthur Baxter, of Warwick, NY; Doris (Baxter) Grzelak, of Colonia, NJ; and Christopher Kenneth Baxter of Asheville, NC.

A Catholic Mass will be held June 8, at St. Rita's of Cascia church in Marion, MA. A celebration will follow at the home of her daughter.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests charitable contributions to Friends of Marion Council on Aging (FMCOA) – [www.fmcoa.org](http://www.fmcoa.org), or American Association of University Women – AAUW – [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)



**Patricia L. "Patty" Frost**, 76 of Marion, MA, passed away Saturday, April 7, after a 15 year struggle with Parkinson's disease. She was the wife of 56 years to Nick Frost of Marion. She was the daughter of the late Mark and Irma (Hummel) Lytle.

She was an active community member of the towns of Essex, CT; Nantucket, MA; Bozeman, MT; and Marion, MA. Her passions included her family, running, biking, playing the flute, piano, tennis, paddle tennis, the beach, skiing, cooking, gardening and reading.

She held leadership roles in several organizations supporting her favorite causes. These included Planned Parenthood of Connecticut; local school boards; conservation and planning for Sconset, MA; the local library; and her church. She also was very proud of serving as the Editor in Chief of the Hood College Newspaper. She will be dearly missed.

In addition to her husband she is survived by three daughters; Ashley Gebhardt, Kimberly Scurry and Courtney Frost. She was also survived by five grandchildren and many loving relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Patty's name may be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research at [www.michaeljfox.org](http://www.michaeljfox.org).

Funeral services will be private.

*If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508 758-9055, by fax at 508-758-4845, or by email at [office@wanderer.com](mailto:office@wanderer.com).*

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"Our defense ... we're young back there," Tavares said. "But we're very athletic. **Mary Butler** and **Caroline Thomas** have been playing extremely well, causing turnovers and overall being in charge back there."

After hosting Fairhaven on Wednesday, the Bulldogs will visit Apponequet on Friday at 4:00 pm. They then have a quick turnaround when they visit Falmouth Academy on Saturday at 11:00 am.

Old Rochester boys' lacrosse has not had the same start, losing three of its first four contests (1-1 SCC), most recently at the hands of Bourne in an 8-7 loss. **Pat Kiernan** scored four in the loss and had an assist. **Alex Lorenz** scored twice in the Bulldogs' loss.

Old Rochester hosts Apponequet on Friday at 4:00 pm.

Old Rochester baseball had a big win over non-league opponent Coyle-Cassidy on Monday, with a 4-1 final.

**Mike Kennefick** scored twice and had himself a triple. He was knocked in both times by **James Dwyer**, who finished with three RBI and a double.

The Bulldogs host GNB Voc-Tech on Friday at 3:45 pm.

Old Rochester girls' tennis remains undefeated on the season, having beaten the always impressive Apponequet 4-1 and following that up with another 4-1 win against Stang.

**Danielle Nutter** won the second singles match 6-0, 6-2 and **Grace McCarthy** won third singles 6-1, 6-1.

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# TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



Carol Barnewolt took this great photo at the Buzzards Bay Coalition's "The Bogs" property in Mattapoisett on Friday.



Tabor students organized a walk out on Friday, April 20, in solidarity with students across the country recognizing the 19th anniversary of the Columbine High School massacre. Students placed 18 empty chairs in the Stroud Academic Center Courtyard to symbolize the 17 lives lost in the Parkland shooting, plus one to symbolize the many others affected by these events. Students then led a silent walk around the turf field for 17 minutes, one minute for each of the 17 victims in Florida. Photos courtesy Tabor Academy



On Sunday, April 22, the First Congregational Church of Marion held a special Earth Day service, celebrating God's creation. Kathleen, Lily, Camila, and Maddie did a skit around the theme of reduce, reuse, recycle. After the service, we had a procession down to the Town Wharf where we cleaned up trash. Photos by Tanya Ambrosi and Sue Taggart

These photos and more are available online at [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com)



The Bulldogs (6-0, 4-0 SCC) finish their week with a home match against Dighton-Rehoboth on Thursday at 3:30 pm.

### Old Colony

Old Colony girls' lacrosse won its first four games of the season, with the last one being a 15-4 blowout against Norton.

The offense was spread out, with five Cougars scoring in the win. **Raquel Rodrigues** led the way with four, while **Rachel Baker**, **Mya Medeiros** and **Elana Sargent** each had three to their name.

Following Wednesday's road matchup at Bristol Plymouth, the team is back in action at home against Upper Cape on Monday at 3:30 pm.

Old Colony baseball has continued its strong start with a 5-2 record (3-0 Mayflower Athletic Conference).

Freshman phenom **Reese Vandal** continues to tear the cover off the ball, hitting .522 with a .593 on-base percentage and 11 RBI. He only trails senior **Lucas Ferreira** (.667) in on-base percentage, but leads the team in average and is tied for the lead in RBI.

He is tied in RBI with senior **Drew Sullivan**, who's hitting .458 with a .517 on-base percentage. He also leads the team with seven doubles.

Freshman **Ryan McGuigan** has been most dominant on the mound, being one of three Cougars – sophomore **Mikias Noyce** and junior **Jacob Worden** being the others – to pitch in three games.

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# TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



## MARION

### Log highlights April 15-April 21

- Point Rd – Suspicious MV
- Spring St – Health/welfare
- Jerei Ln – Animal complaint
- Spring St – Vandalism/past
- Delano Rd – Order of protection
- Wareham Rd – Follow up investigation
- Wareham Rd – EMS/medical
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Puckerbrush Rd – Message delivery
- Dexter Rd – EMS/medical
- Mill St – Fraud
- Delano Rd – Officer wanted
- Dexter Rd – EMS/medical
- Island Wharf Rd – General offense
- Front St – Brush fire
- Joanne Dr – Fraud
- Pumping Station Rd – MV collision
- Wareham Rd – Health/welfare
- Mill St – Officer wanted
- Wareham Rd – EMS/medical
- South St – Health/welfare
- Main St – EMS/medical
- Front St – MV collision
- Village Dr – Fraud
- Spinnaker Ln – B&E/past
- Thomas Ln – Suspicious person
- Pleasant St – EMS/medical
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Green St – Officer wanted

## MATTAPOISETT

### Log highlights April 15-April 21

- Acushnet Rd – 911 call/medical alarm
- North St – Health/welfare
- Marina Dr – Health/welfare
- Tara Rd – General service
- Knollwood Dr – Disturbance
- Knollwood Dr – 911 call
- Knollwood Dr – Restraining order
- I195 West – Ambulance request
- Knollwood Dr – Peace officer
- Mariners Way – MV lockout
- Aucoot Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- County Rd – Assist citizen
- Crystal Spring Rd – Medical/mental health
- Fairhaven Rd – Summons service
- County Rd – Assist citizen
- Goodspeed Island – Shellfish violation
- Park St – MV lockout
- Water St – Domestic disturbance
- Neds Point Rd – General service
- Angelica Ave – Health/welfare
- Fairhaven Rd – Assist other agency
- Main St – Open door
- Wolf Island Rd – Suspicious MV
- Marion Rd – Disturbance
- Fairhaven Rd – Disturbance
- North St – MV crash
- Lebaron Way – Health/welfare
- Angelica Ave – Health/welfare
- North St – Ambulance request

## ROCHESTER

### Log highlights April 15-April 21

- Mendell Rd – MV accident/arrest
- Noble Rd – Hold up alarm
- New Bedford Rd – Erratic operation
- North Ave – Ambulance request
- Noble Ave – Highway matter
- Chilton Ln – Suspicious MV
- Cranberry Hwy – Assist other agency
- Snipatuit Rd – Animal control
- High St – Suspicious activity
- Mattapoisett Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- North Ave – Officer wanted
- Pine St – Ambulance request
- Hartley Rd – Suspicious MV
- Sarah Sherman Rd – Officer wanted
- Cushman Rd – Animal control
- Gerrish Rd – Suspicious MV
- Marion Rd – Ambulance request
- Mattapoisett Rd – Officer wanted
- Mattapoisett Rd – Ambulance request
- Walnut Plain Rd – Erratic operation
- Neck Rd – Suspicious MV
- Hartley Rd – Suspicious MV
- Walnut Plain Rd – Restraining order
- New Bedford Rd – Complaint
- Dexter Ln – Lockout
- Neck Rd – Ambulance request
- Stevens Rd – Animal control
- Hiller Rd – General services
- Rounseville Rd – Suspicious activity

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit [www.Wanderer.com](http://www.Wanderer.com).



## REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

### COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

**Monday, April 30:** Egg salad, German potato salad, coleslaw, whole wheat roll, fresh apple  
**Tuesday, May 1:** Hot dog, mustard, relish, baked beans, cabbage & carrots, hot dog roll, mixed fruit  
**Wednesday, May 2:** Macaroni & cheese, tomato florentine, broccoli, fruit loaf, mandarin oranges  
**Thursday, May 3:** Chicken bruschetta, white/brown rice, Roman vegetables, multi-grain roll, cinnamon apples  
**Friday, May 4:** Potato pollock, tartar sauce, potato wedges, spring vegetables, oatmeal bread, lemon pudding, diet: low-sugar pudding

### CENTER SCHOOL

**Monday, April 30:** Build a burger: bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato, oven baked fries, rainbow pasta salad **2nd choice:** Chef salad shaker **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Tuesday, May 1:** Homemade meatballs in gravy over noodles, brainy broccoli **2nd choice:** Chef salad shaker **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Wednesday, May 2:** French toast, sausage, hash brown, homemade apple crisp **2nd choice:** Chef salad shaker **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Thursday, May 3:** Oven baked chicken, stuffing, glazed carrots **2nd choice:** Chef

salad shaker **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Friday, May 4:** Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing, fruit cup **2nd choice:** Chef salad shaker **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches

### OLD HAMMONDTOWN

**Monday, April 30:** Hot open face turkey sandwich w/gravy, savory stuffing, corn, cranberry sauce **2nd choice:** Garden salad w/chicken **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Tuesday, May 1:** Homemade lasagna, tossed salad, Italian green beans, breadstick **2nd choice:** Garden salad w/chicken **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Wednesday, May 2:** Scrambled eggs & bacon, tatar tots, cheese stick, fruit cup **2nd choice:** Garden salad w/chicken **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Thursday, May 3:** Creamy mac & cheese w/chicken nuggets **2nd choice:** Garden salad w/chicken **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Friday, May 4:** Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing **2nd choice:** Garden salad w/chicken **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches

### OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

**Monday, April 30:** Beef chow mein, vegetable fried rice, glazed carrots, fortune cookie  
**Tuesday, May 1:** Homemade chili w/

cheese, tortilla chips, cornbread, cucumber coins  
**Wednesday, May 2:** Bulldog breakfast bake, oven roasted potatoes, fruit cup  
**Thursday, May 3:** Teriyaki chicken dip-pers, seasoned potato wedges, green beans, fresh baked cookie  
**Friday, May 4:** Grilled cheese & tomato panini w/homemade soup, cucumber coins

### ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

**Monday, April 30:** Chicken nuggets, potato wedges, glazed carrots **2nd choice:** Yogurt parfait w/pretzel **3rd choice:** Hawaiian chicken wrap  
**Tuesday, May 1:** Nacho bowl: beef (or) chicken taco meat, cheese sauce, tortilla chips, lettuce & tomato, salsa, fiesta rice & beans **2nd choice:** Yogurt parfait w/pretzel **3rd choice:** Hawaiian chicken wrap  
**Wednesday, May 2:** Pancakes, sausage, hash brown strawberry cup **2nd choice:** Yogurt parfait w/pretzel **3rd choice:** Hawaiian chicken wrap  
**Thursday, May 3:** Beef stroganoff, beef stick, brainy broccoli **2nd choice:** Yogurt parfait w/pretzel **3rd choice:** Hawaiian chicken wrap  
**Friday, May 4:** Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing **2nd choice:** Yogurt parfait w/pretzel **3rd choice:** Hawaiian chicken wrap

### SIPPICAN SCHOOL

**Monday, April 30:** Build a burger: bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato, french fries, pickle **2nd choice:** Garden salad w/tuna **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Tuesday, May 1:** Taco nacho, cheese sauce, tortilla chips, lettuce, black bean salsa, fresh baked cookie **2nd choice:** Garden salad w/tuna **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Wednesday, May 2:** Pancakes, bacon, tatar tots, cheese stick, strawberry cup **2nd choice:** Garden salad w/tuna **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Thursday, May 3:** Creamy mac & cheese w/chicken nuggets, three bean salad **2nd choice:** Garden salad w/tuna **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches  
**Friday, May 4:** Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing **2nd choice:** Garden salad w/tuna **3rd choice:** Assorted fun lunches

### OLD COLONY REGIONAL

**Monday, April 30:** Asian chicken bowl & bread stick  
**Tuesday, May 1:** Chicken & cheese pizza quesadilla, salsa, sour cream & steamed carrots  
**Wednesday, May 2:** American chop suey, green beans & garlic bread  
**Thursday, May 3:** Pulled pork sandwich, fries & baked beans  
**Friday, May 4:** Assorted stuffed crust pizza & Caesar salad



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struck out 13, though he's walked 10. He's almost averaged a hit allowed per inning, surrendering eight. But with his swing-and-miss ability, he's been able to post a 2.33 ERA, best on the team among pitchers who've thrown in more than one game.

Old Colony hosts Cape Cod Tech on Saturday at 1:00 pm, followed by another home game against Upper Cape on Monday at 6:00 pm.

### Letters to the Editor

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To the Editor:

Firstly, I'd like to thank Mr. & Mrs. Planning Board member very much for your help on my petition. Thank you again. We are moving forward very well, getting ready for town meeting on May 14. Article - Recreational marijuana establishment ban, will be Article # "One" on the agenda at town meeting this year, making it possible for seniors or others to go home early. But will have a chance to vote first. We need your help. Thank



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# MOVIE REVIEW

## Shell Game

By Rob Gonsalves  
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**Russian Doll.** Starring Melanie Brockmann Gaffney and Maren Hassler. Directed by Ed Gaffney. Running time: 82 minutes. No MPAA rating, but equivalent of an R. Now on streaming services.

It's probably none of my business, but I have to ask anyway: How must it feel to be a first-time movie actor — a personal trainer by trade — doing a nude same-sex love scene in a movie produced by your mom and brother and directed by your father? Melanie Brockmann Gaffney might be in a position to tell us. She stars in the somewhat gimmicky whodunit *Russian Doll*, co-produced by her mother Suzanne Brockmann (yes, the romantic-thriller novelist) and brother Jason T. Gaffney (an openly gay actor who also appears in the movie), and written and directed by *paterfamilias* Ed Gaffney. Come to think of it, how does it feel to be a guy directing your daughter in a nude make-out scene, or, for that matter, directing your son as he enacts sadism and torture?

This all makes *Russian Doll* sound more juicy than it is, I fear. It's a decent if heavy-handed affair, motivated, we understand, by the Brockmann Gaffneys' desire to make female-centered LGBT-friendly movies. A noble goal, and surely the title itself indicates a person stashing his or her secret self inside the shell of a false self. None of which seems to have much to do with the heroine Brockmann Gaffney is playing — Viola Ames, a detective on the case of a kidnapping and possible planned murder connected to a play about ... people hiding their real selves. The would-be murderer is doing the same thing, of course. The plot allows for one of those grand metaphors that must be satisfying to a fiction writer, but the rest of us might be less enamored of it.

The movie was filmed in Framingham and Concord for about twelve cents — enough to afford an established actor, anyway, *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*'s Kristine Sutherland. I feel like a jerk criticizing a microbudget film, but it has a major video distributor — Wolfe Video, which specializes in gay-themed entertainment — and, honestly, there are better options out there. Aside from ringer



Sutherland, the acting is a bit rigid when it isn't hammy; the movie goes so far in establishing the play's writer/star as an unpleasant prima donna he may as well have "red herring" written across the front of his shirt. Gaffney at least knows what he's doing; the film is cleanly photographed and, actually, pleasingly edited, clipping scenes quickly and getting on with it.

It's the story that feels hacky. And did I miss a meeting where it was decided that gay audiences would give a hetero male director the benefit of the doubt for nude lesbian love scenes that (A) move the story forward not one inch and (B) are all, so far as I can determine, taking place in the heroine's morose fantasies? The scenes are more sweet than raunchy, but are still pointlessly explicit. The *matryoshka* metaphor doesn't seem to apply to Viola, who's out to everyone; her trauma has nothing to do with hidden selves, but rather with her beloved wife, dead almost two years now. Viola's mother (Sutherland) sets her up with the amiable Faith (Maren Hassler), because everyone has decided for Viola that she's mourned enough and needs to get back into the romance game. This seems tacked onto the murder-mystery plot — or maybe the other way around.

*Russian Doll* does — or attempts, anyway — what we want so many works of entertainment to do these days. Its heart is in the right place, I guess. Unfortunately, a lot of truly great art has its heart in exactly the wrong place. It doesn't serve an agenda (however warmly one might agree with it). It doesn't create a gay female protagonist only to pretend her sexual identity has zero to do with anything she does (sadly, just as we are light years away from a society that truly doesn't see color, so we are nowhere near a society whose homophobic structure does not brand itself on gay psyches in *some* way). And to return to my earlier question: I don't know how it feels to be a woman doing a nude scene for her director father, or to be a father directing his daughter in a nude scene. I do know how it feels to watch such a scene. Not good.



you.

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We should not legalize an industry that has commercialized a drug that is devastating to our kids, teens, and young adults.

It doesn't matter until it matters, then it's too late to matter.

Seniors can call the selectmen's office for a ride to and from town meeting.

Opinions lead to facts, facts lead to reality. The reality is very plain and simple. We do not need recreational marijuana in the town of Mattapoisett. What we do need is for the registered voters of Mattapoisett to show up at town meeting to vote and support Article One. The character of Mattapoisett must be protected at all cost.

We must spend some quality time on this issue before it's too late.

Thank you,

George Randall, Mattapoisett

Dear Tri-Town Community:

Last year, together we were able to raise \$1,905 for the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute through my Pan-Mass Challenge ride. This year, I am seriously upping the ante and will be riding in a 163-mile course in the PMC on Saturday, August 4 and Sunday, August 5. My goal this year is to raise over \$4,900 for this charity.

The PMC's mission is to raise money through their annual bike-a-thon for life-saving cancer research and treatment at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. The PMC donates 100% of every rider-raised dollar directly to the DFCI and The Jimmy Fund.

If you are able to generously donate a gift, no matter how small, please visit my PMC page at profile.pmc.org/KL0231 or visit pmc.org, click on donate, and type in my name.

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### Academic Achievements

Curry College is proud to announce that Meghan Desrochers of Rochester has been inducted into the Sigma



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Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society. Meghan was one of 78 students inducted during a ceremony on the Curry College campus.

### Machacam Club Meeting

The Machacam Club will hold the final meeting on **May 2** at Post 280. Social time is 5:30 pm; dinner is at 6:00pm. The meal will be ham, beans, cole slaw with pie for dessert. Unfortunately, we will not have a speaker for this meeting.

Callers and members are asked to bear in mind the importance of call list accuracy. Call lists should be done and reported no later than 9:00 am on Tuesday, May 1 by email to GPFNR@aol.com or by phone to Mike at

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sexist jokes  
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from bed  
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25 Small  
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27 Bullring yell  
28 W-2 expert  
29 Belfast's  
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30 Cheesy  
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58 Sam of "The  
Piano"  
60 Very shy sort  
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kids "go  
round"  
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93 Hairy twin in  
the Bible  
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96 "Ni-i-i-ice!"  
97 — -do-well  
(idle person)  
99 Suspect in  
Clue  
104 Charade  
107 — Fridays  
(restaurant)

109 Wriggling  
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110 Post-teens  
111 1951 Alec  
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120 Tear's place  
121 Zero in  
124 Ink-squirting  
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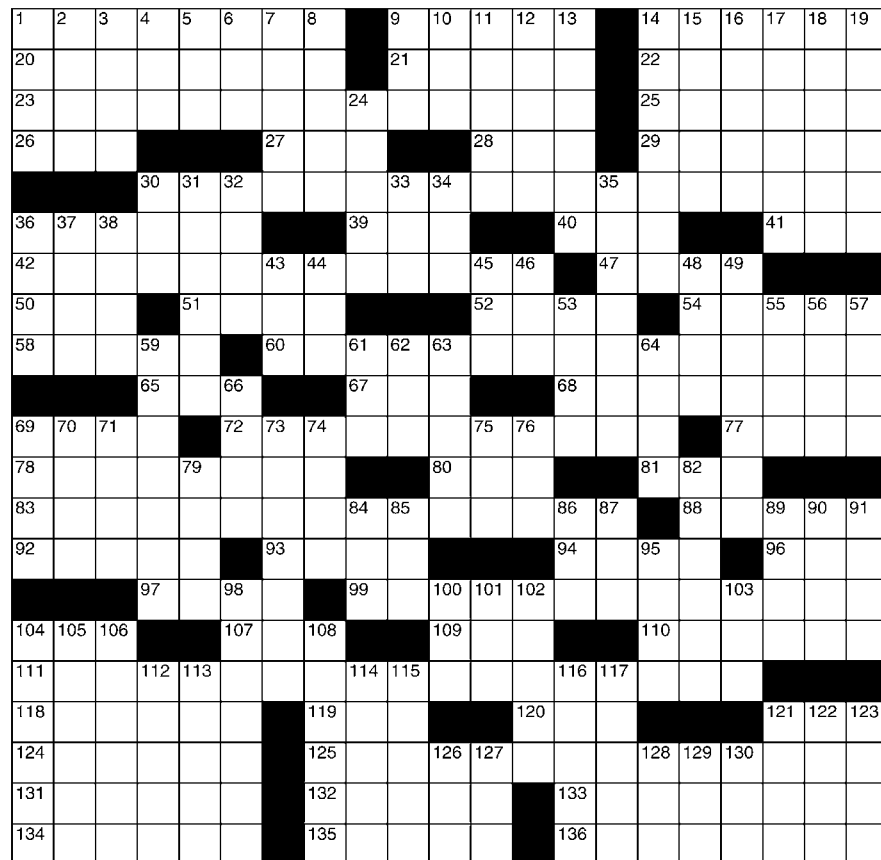
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11 Civil rights  
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14 Ill feeling  
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gasket fitting  
16 Old crime  
boss Frank  
17 In error  
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19 Like a  
single-  
person band  
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take, say  
30 Noted period  
31 Peter out, as  
a trail  
32 Present  
33 "— will not!"  
(firm refusal)  
34 "Mazel —!"  
35 Made do  
36 Intend (to)  
37 Ireland, to  
the Irish  
38 Ovid's 552  
43 Dawn  
goddess  
44 "Be quiet!"  
45 Invite  
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49 No longer  
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central Sicily

55 Appeal  
56 For fear that  
57 Kin of -kin  
59 Tackles, e.g.  
61 Gun, as an  
engine  
62 Suffix with  
opal  
63 Tropical tern  
64 Signs made  
by winners  
66 Runner  
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69 Chooses  
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71 With  
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not closing  
early, as a  
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73 Inn in  
France  
74 Employ  
75 Taper off  
76 Gulager of  
"The Killers"  
79 Unblemished  
82 Flattop,  
e.g.  
84 Sharp knock  
85 Karel Capek  
sci-fi play  
86 Aves.  
87 "For — a  
jolly ..."  
89 Voodoo —  
90 Hype up  
91 Measures of  
resistance  
95 Gallivant

98 French  
"Presto!"  
100 Atop,  
in odes  
101 Jewish cry of  
disgust  
102 Architect  
Saarinen  
103 Alehouse  
104 Maximally  
105 Overly  
stylish  
106 Person  
camping out,  
often  
108 Foot part  
112 "Don't — gift  
horse in the  
mouth"  
113 Quaking  
tree  
114 Writer Roald  
and actress  
Arlene  
115 Stalk  
swelling  
116 City south of  
Dijon  
117 "Vive —!"  
(French cry)  
121 Imitator  
122 Rick Blaine's  
love, in film  
123 Citi Field  
baseballers  
126 Folding bed  
love, in film  
127 Old spy org.  
128 Lapel insert  
129 D.C.'s land  
130 Slowing, in  
music: Abbr.



# SALOME'S STARS

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) You easily handle your tasks this week, thanks to those high energy levels that never seem to run down. But pace yourself, Lamb, for the demanding week ahead.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) With the arts dominant this week, you might want to pick up any of those creative projects you've neglected. A workplace situation benefits from some fresh insight.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Music helps replenish your energy levels. Stream your playlist if you must. But a live concert could prove more rewarding, especially if you go with that very special someone.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Close friends reach out to help perk up your lagging social life. That workplace situation also eases, leaving you time to do more fun things by week's end.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) A revelation clears up that perplexing job-related problem. Some changes will have to be made, which, no doubt, will meet with the Big Cat's roaring approval. Good luck.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Reaching out to someone in need is the noble thing to do. But try to restrain the temptation to add a lecture -- no matter how well-intended -- to your good deed.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) There could be another tough challenge to face before the month is over. But all that hard work is winning you lots of important recognition from your peers.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Keeping to your work schedule could prove difficult with all those personal distractions. Best advice: Stay with it. There'll be time later for socializing.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Jumping hurdles this week might be vexing for most, but not for the sage Sagittarian, who recognizes that meeting a challenge can open up opportunities.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) More obstacles might be thrown in your path as you try to finalize a new agreement. But the sure-footed Goat ignores the stumbling blocks and stays the course.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) We know the Water Bearer takes pleasure in giving to others. But why not let someone else enjoy the experience too by accepting that offer of help?

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You might find that you need to ease up on your hectic schedule this week. Don't fret about it. It could be helpful to take a break and replenish your energy supply.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have a way of finding practical solutions to complex problems, and you do it with grace.

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### Nasketucket Bird Club

A Spring Warbler Workshop, sponsored by the Nasketucket Bird Club, will be held on Thursday, **April 26** at 7:00 pm. This is our annual refresher course to get ready for the colorful spring birds. Sights and sounds of the summer visitors and migrants will be presented by the club's president, Justin Barrett.

The meetings, open to the public and handicapped accessible, are held at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, located at the south door entrance on Barstow Street in Mattapoisett.

Check our website at: <http://massbird.org/Nasketucket/> or email our President Justin Barrett at [jmbarrett426@gmail.com](mailto:jmbarrett426@gmail.com)

### Sippican Historical Society

In 1998, the Sippican Historical Society commissioned an architectural survey of Marion's historic homes and buildings. The survey was funded one-half by the Sippican Historical Society and one-half by the Massachusetts Historical Commission. Because of the limits of funding, not all of the historic buildings were



surveyed, but over 100 were catalogued and photographed. The results of the survey are in digital form on the Massachusetts Historical Commission's website and in four binders in

the Sippican Historical Society's office (and at the Marion Town Clerk's office). Marion (Old Rochester) is one of the oldest towns in the United States, and the Sippican Historical Society maintains an extensive collection of documentation on its historic buildings. The Sippican



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Historical Society will preview one building a week so that the residents of Marion can understand more about its unique historical architecture. This installment features 2 Spring Street.

Spring Street started out as a country lane leading to a stone building associated with Captain Allen's salt works. The Marion Town House at 2 Spring Street is an Italianate building erected in 1875-1876 as Tabor Academy's recitation or classroom building. The school owes its existence to Elizabeth Taber, who purchased the rock-strewn land from Capt. Henry M. Allen in 1871. Tabor Academy opened on September 13, 1877 with 21 students.



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<p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Rochester Council on Aging, 67 Dexter Lane, Rochester, MA regarding a Special Residential Development Special Permit application, Application for Work on Scenic Highway (Route 105), and a Groundwater Protection District Special Permit application received from REPURPOSE PROPERTIES, LLC, 55 Main Street, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532 for property located at Rounseville Road, Rochester, MA 02770, further identified on Assessor's Map 30, Lots 24, 25B, &amp; 25C. The property owner of record is Gibbs V. &amp; Patricia M. Bray, Trustees, 21 Pawkechatt Way, P.O. Box 989, Marion, MA 02738. The applicant's representative is John L. Churchill, Jr. of JC Engineering, Inc., 2854 Cranberry Highway, East Wareham, MA 02538. The proposed development is an age-restricted community with 22 duplex units, a common building and associated roadways, buildings, and utilities.</p> <p>The application and associated submittal documents are available for review at the Planning Board Office at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Arnold Johnson, Chairman 4/19, 4/26</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>On May 7, 2018, the Marion Planning Board will hold a public hearing pursuant to the requirements of M.G.L. c.40A, s.5 to review the following CITIZEN'S PROPOSAL TO ADD A SECTION TO THE MARION ZONING BYLAWS ARTICLE to enact a bylaw for the purposes of preserving and protecting significant buildings and structures within the Town constituting or reflecting distinctive features of the architectural, cultural, economic, political or social history of the Town; and limiting the detrimental effect of demolition on the character of the Town.</p> <p>The public hearing will be held at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, Massachusetts 02738 at 7:10 pm in the Main Conference Room. The public is invited to attend and be heard on these proposals and may inspect the full text of this proposal during normal business hours at the Office of the Town Clerk or Planning Board. Eileen J. Marum, Chairman Stephen J. Kokkins, Vice-Chairman 4/19, 4/26</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE</b></p> <p>Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40A, §5, notice is hereby given that the Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Rochester Council on Aging, 67 Dexter Lane, Rochester, Massachusetts 02770 to consider an AMENDMENT TO THE TOWN'S ZONING BYLAW by amending Section 3 of Section IX(H) "Temporary Moratorium on Marijuana Retail Sale" (which includes dispensing, processing, and cultivation activities, and other related activities to the sale, storage and distribution of marijuana) in order to continue the planning process to evaluate regulation of marijuana and other uses related to the regulation of</p>	<p>marijuana and address the potential impact of the state regulations on local zoning. Delete the following as the second sentence: "The moratorium shall be in effect through October 31, 2018". Insert the following as the second sentence: "The moratorium shall be in effect through June 30, 2019".</p> <p>Copies of the article are on file at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, Rochester, Massachusetts 02770 between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Arnold Johnson, Chairman 4/19, 4/26</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN NOTICE OF CABLE TELEVISION PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>Please take notice that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Rochester, Massachusetts, as Issuing Authority for a cable television license under M.G.L.c.166A, will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 7:00 pm. The public hearing will be held in open session of the regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting at the Town Hall. The purpose of the public hearing will be TO DETERMINE WHETHER TO ISSUE A CABLE TELEVISION LICENSE TO VERIZON. All applications, reports, statements, and license drafts to be considered at the hearing that constitute public records under state law are available for public inspection during regular business hours and for reproduction at a reasonable fee. Members of the public are invited to attend and be heard on the topic: (a) whether the current cable operator is in full compliance with its currently-existing cable license; and (b) what are the Town's future community cable-related needs. 4/26, 5/3</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 7:10 pm at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for Determination (File No. 41D-1676) submitted by STANLEY RUSSO to place minimal fill within the coastal flood plain, with no vegetated wetland or other wetland resource areas nearby at 4 Crapo St. The parcel is cleared, previously developed land.</p> <p>The site is further identified as Lot 196 on Marion Assessors' Map 16. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Cynthia Callow, Chairman, 4/26</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 7:20 pm at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for Determination (File No. 41D-1677) submitted by WAYNE COSTA to maintain/repair a paddock by adding some sand to provide a drier area for the horses at 2 Washburn Park Lane.</p> <p>The site is further identified as Lot 18 on Marion Assessors' Map 11. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Cynthia Callow, Chairman, 4/26</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION &amp; TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p>	<p>A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Rochester Council on Aging, 67 Dexter Lane, Rochester, MA regarding an Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation filed by PEDRO RODRIGUEZ, Solar MA Project Management, LLC, Series XXXVI, 143 West Street, Suite C201, New Milford, CT 06776, for property located on 0 Walnut Plain Road, Rochester, MA 02770, designated as Lots 16, 21, 23 &amp; 31 on Assessor's Map 23. The purpose of the filing is to confirm 9,950+/- linear feet of Bordering Vegetated Wetland boundary.</p> <p>The property owner of record is Diana Murphy, Trustee, Midchester Realty Trust, 24 Old Powderhouse Road, Lakeville, MA 02347. The applicant's representative is Scott Goddard, Goddard Consulting, LLC, 291 Main Street, Suite 8, Northborough, MA 01532. This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law. Michael Conway, Chairperson 4/26</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by CHRISTOPHER M. RILEY, 3 Goodspeed Island, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to build a free standing 10 x 18 shed. Cape Cod style, 2 windows, 1 door, architectural shingle roof, grey vinyl siding. The project is located at 3 Goodspeed Island, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 and is further identified as Lot 28 on Assessor Map 10. 4/26</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE</b></p> <p>Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40A, §5, notice is hereby given that the Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Rochester Town Hall, One Constitution Way, Rochester, Massachusetts 02770 to CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE TOWN'S ZONING BYLAW by amending the Town of Rochester Zoning By-Laws, Section XXI, Large Scale Solar Photovoltaic Installations.</p> <p>Copies of the article are on file at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, Rochester, Massachusetts 02770 between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Arnold Johnson, Chairman 4/26, 5/3</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE</b></p> <p>Pursuant to M.G.L. 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## Mattapoisett Area Artists

The Mattapoisett Area Artists would like to invite you to watch a free movie called *Loving Vincent* on **May 16** at 5:30 pm in the meeting room at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library.

*Loving Vincent* reveals the life and controversial death of Vincent Gogh as told by his paintings and the characters that inhabit them. The intrigue unfolds through interviews with the characters closest to Vincent and through dynamic reconstruction of the events leading to his death. The film features 120 of van Gogh's greatest paintings. The plot, drawn from the 800 letters written by the painter himself, leads us to the significant people and events in the time prior to his unexpected death. Every shot is painted just as Vincent himself painted.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dave Englund at [denglund603@gmail.com](mailto:denglund603@gmail.com) or Becky McCann at [ramcann@aol.com](mailto:ramcann@aol.com).

## Author Talk with Jill Farinelli

Please join us at the Elizabeth Taber Library on Thursday evening, **April 26** at 6:30 pm for an author talk with Jill Farinelli. She will be discussing her book: *The Palatine Wreck: The Legend of the New England Ghost Ship*. A book signing will follow.

Jill Farinelli graduated from William Smith College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in American Studies and English. Determined to live near the ocean in a city steeped in history, she moved to the Boston area where, for the past 25 years, she has worked as a freelance writer and editor, primarily in educational publishing. This is her first work of historical nonfiction, on a subject that captured her imagination after spending a week with friends on Block Island ten years ago.

## Alewives Anonymous Meeting and Chowder Supper

Alewives Anonymous, Inc. (AA) will host its annual meeting and quahog chowder supper for members, guests and others interested in the world of alewives (herring) on Sunday, **April 29** at 5:00 pm at the Rochester Grange Hall, 205 Hartley Road, Rochester. After the annual meeting, a number of short videos of our local river's Herring Runs will be presented. Please make your

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There is no charge for the supper for members whose dues are paid up, members who re-new their annual dues (\$10) or new members joining (\$10); otherwise, the charge is \$5 per person. New members are always welcomed.

AA, The Herring Helpers, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation and increase of the alewife fishery resources in the Mattapoissett River and the Sippican River in the towns of Rochester, Marion and Mattapoissett. Alewives Anonymous, Inc. is also involved with monitoring the alewives population using electronic fish counting equipment and other efforts and projects to enhance their numbers and to improve their environment.

We invite you to please join and help support our efforts.

### Elizabeth Taber Library ArtWeek Events

Join us at the Elizabeth Taber Library on Tuesday, May 1 as we celebrate ArtWeek with two special events. At 3:00 pm, New Bedford artist Catherine Carter, [www.catherinecarterpainting.com](http://www.catherinecarterpainting.com), will lead a multi-medium workshop to help you create an image of undersea life and/or an abstract image based on your name. Also, throughout the day, we invite patrons to contribute to our first annual community art project by creating a ceramic tile for the Elizabeth Taber Library. For more information or to register, please call the library at 508-748-1252.

### Elks Student of the Month



The Elks of Wareham and New Bedford, Lodge No. 1548 sponsors the Elks Student of the Month and Student of the Year Awards for students enrolled in local area high schools. The criteria used in nominating a student includes a student who excels in scholarship, citizenship, performing arts, fine arts, hobbies, athletics, church, school and community service, industry and farming.

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### Tabor Students Take Steps Toward Action


In response to the school shooting in Parkland, Florida, and in memory of those lost in past school shootings, Tabor students organized a walk out on Friday, April 20, in solidarity with students across the country

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Student organizers, Owen and Lydia, explained, "While for many participants the day is likely about gun control legislation, we thought others might like to participate to call attention to the tragedy of school shootings or mourn and remember victims in Florida or other schools who suffered." The students publicly shared instructions in advance for involvement in order to share their vision and to set the tone that this would be a "serious and somber demonstration."

### Jazz Jam Session at the MAC

There will be a Jazz Jam Session at the Marion Art Center, 80 Pleasant Street, on Friday, **April 27** at from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. All improvisers are welcome: pros, students, young, old. The rhythm section is: Matt Richard, piano; Dave Zinno, bass; and Gary Johnson, drums.

Those planning on "jamming" with us should call 508-538-1240. Those planning on attending (\$12 for spectators) should get tickets at [www.marionartcenter.org/events/jazz-jam-mac/](http://www.marionartcenter.org/events/jazz-jam-mac/).

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### South Coast Children's Chorus

The South Coast Children's Chorus finishes off their 2017-2018 concert season with a spring performance. The concert will take place on Sunday, **May 6** at St. Gabriel's Church in Marion at 4:00 pm.

Admission prices are \$10 for general, \$7 for students/seniors, and anyone 6 years and under are free. Admission can be paid at the door on the evening of the event.

The chorus will also be hosting a friends & family night on May 8 during the regular rehearsal time (5:30 - 7:00 pm) at the Unitarian Church in Fairhaven.

This program is specifically supported in part by a grant from the Marion Arts Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency. The arts councils of Mattapoisett, Rochester, Fairhaven, Acushnet and New Bedford have also supported this program this season.

For more information contact: [SCCCsings@gmail.com](mailto:SCCCsings@gmail.com) also, visit our website at [www.singsouthcoast.org](http://www.singsouthcoast.org), or on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/southcoastchildrenschorus>.

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### Tabor Academy to Host Morning of Service

Tabor students are getting ready to engage in the second morning of service of the school year. Tabor Academy's Morning of Service takes place on **April 28** from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm. As part of a larger program of community service that has become an integral part of the school's mission in action, these service days offer "a time for the Tabor Community to come together to work side by side for our local community," says Kerry Saltonstall, Director of Communications.

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by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦**

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**TODAY'S WORD**



"It's my \_\_\_\_\_ . She had a sudden change of plans over the weekend."

as well as our local churches, Sippican School, Sippican Lands Trust, the Buzzards Bay Coalition and the Boy Scouts, students will help with all manner of clean up and beautification projects of parks, beaches, playgrounds and roadways. They will also head to other towns on the South Coast to lend a hand with longstanding service partners such as Gifts to Give, Community Boating, Sharing the Harvest Community Farm and many others. New partners include the Message of Hope Foundation in Pocasset, School on Wheels in Bridgewater, and Youth Opportunities Unlimited in New Bedford.

Also new this year is an opportunity for the public to come to Tabor's Charles Hayden Library from 9:00 to 11:30 am to get their technology questions answered. Students will uncover the mysteries of Facebook, Skype, smartphone settings, and share their knowledge of digital photography and photo management online. There is free parking at the library located at 71 Spring Street.

It takes enormous organization to mobilize over 500 volunteers, and co-director of community service Lauren Boucher handles it with ease. Running the overall service program at Tabor that places students in ongoing, weekly positions with organizations all year long, Boucher says, "My co-director, Amelia Wright, and I find this service morning program acts as a springboard for further action by students into some of our established weekly programs like the Young Athletes Program with Special Olympics or serving Sunday Supper at the

Salvation Army in New Bedford or maintaining local trails with the Sippican Lands Trust. As students gain more experience, many initiate projects of their own creation based on their interests. Senior Chase Compson organized her peers to provide eight large bins of toys and crafts to chronically ill children at Mass General Hospital through an organization called the Box of Fun Project. And junior Kellie Navarro is, for the second year in a row, running an afternoon marine science program for girls who attend Our Sisters' School in New Bedford."

"It has been so gratifying to see how our service program has grown over the years from one service morning a year to a robust afterschool program that instills ongoing interest for many of our students to engage in service throughout the year. Our students are learning so much about the needs of our community and they are applying their time and effort to make a difference," said Kerry Saltonstall, Director of Communications.

### Indoor Yard Sale at St. Anthony's

On Saturday, **May 5**, there will be an Indoor Yard Sale for the benefit of the Handicap Access Fund at St. Anthony of Padua Church. Lots of items will be available, from infant supplies to household goods, lots of gently used and interesting things. The sale is from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, and will be in the church hall. Use the Nye Street entrance to the church hall. Hot dogs, chips and soda will also be offered for purchase. St. Anthony of Padua Church,



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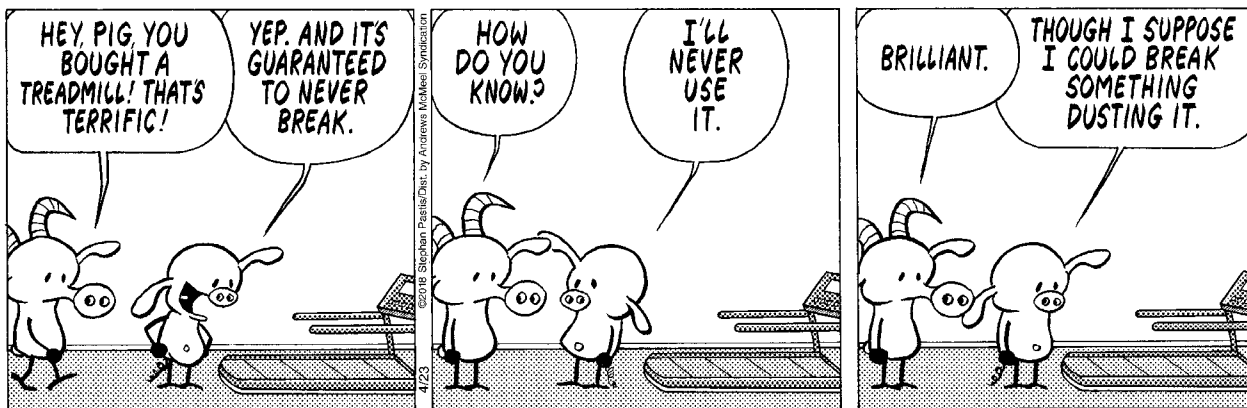
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### Arbor Day Ceremony

In recognition of Arbor Day, the Town of Rochester will be having a brief ceremony at Hillside Cemetery on Hillside Road, off of High Street, on Friday, **April 27** at 6:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

### Hidden in Plain Sight

If you are raising a child, this is an opportunity you do not want to miss. Take a few moments to walk through this very informative exhibit between 5:30 - 7:30 pm.

The Bourne Substance Free Coalition will be hosting a free program called Hidden in Plain Sight before Bourne's Annual Town Meeting on Monday, **May 7** at Bourne High School.

Hidden in Plain Sight is an interactive educational program for parents/guardians featuring an exhibit that resembles a teenager's bedroom. Adults are encouraged to explore and interact with items throughout the exhibit that may indicate that a teenager is involved in some at-risk behavior such as substance abuse, underage drinking, eating disorders, sexual or other dangerous activity.

The mock bedroom will be set up in Bourne High School down the hall from the auditorium where the town meeting will be held. Signage will direct you to the demonstration room. The feedback from previous similar events has been overwhelming.

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**When:** Sunday, May 13, 2018

Registration begins at 7:00 AM

Kids Fun Run: 9:00 AM

5K Road Race/Walk: 9:30 AM

**Where:** Race begins and ends at Oxford Creamery

#### Race Course:

Runners will head west from the Creamery on Old Marion Rd. to Ned's Point. They will turn left onto Ned's Point Road. Staying right, they will travel counter-clockwise around the lighthouse and continue to stay to the right. They will turn right onto Holly Lane and then right onto Tupola. Participants will turn right onto Old Marion Road and then right onto Pine Island. Finally, runners will turn left onto Prospect before turning left onto Route 6 to proceed to the finish line at Oxford Creamery. Roads will not be closed, but traffic may be confined to one side of the road in some locations and there may be some delays. We anticipate all race participants will be off the race course by 11:00 AM.

We hope we have given you ample time to plan accordingly for this day. ANY QUESTIONS, please call Liz Ackerman at Oxford Creamery, 508-758-3847 or at 774-644-2083. If you would like to participate you can register online at [www.womensfundtiara5k.com](http://www.womensfundtiara5k.com).

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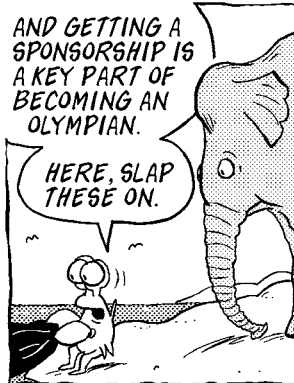
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Baywatchers volunteer approximately one morning per week from May to September at a designated location in their community. Using a water testing kit, Baywatchers collect samples and measure salinity, temperature, water clarity and dissolved oxygen at the site. Baywatchers receive training prior to volunteering and do not need a science background. Trainings will take place throughout May in Westport, Dartmouth, New Bedford, Mattapoisett, Wareham and Falmouth.

If you're interested in becoming a Baywatcher, contact Director of Monitoring Programs Tony Williams at 508-999-6363 ext. 203 or [williams@savebuzzardsbay.org](mailto:williams@savebuzzardsbay.org). For more information about the Baywatchers program, visit [savebuzzardsbay.org/baywatchers](http://savebuzzardsbay.org/baywatchers).



### **Mattapoisett Woman's Club Scholarships**

Mattapoisett Woman's Club is pleased to offer two \$2,500 scholarship awards to Mattapoisett residents who are high school seniors, graduating June 2018.

In addition there will be a \$1,000 scholarship granted to a Mattapoisett resident who is reentering the academic world after graduation and is in pursuit of a post secondary degree. Contact information is below.

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club is a philanthropic organization that plans and executes fundraising events to help generate the revenue for these scholarships and other charitable donations. In offering these scholarships, the club supports educational leadership and helps to support the community whom has partnered with the club in its fundraising efforts.

For high school seniors, the scholarship application will be available in the guidance offices at the local high schools, preparatory schools, or from the Woman's Club. Deadline for returning the completed application is April 30, 2018.

Applications are available at the following schools: Old Rochester Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, Tabor Academy, and Bristol County Agricultural High School.

Final deadline for returning completed applications is April 30, 2018. No one will be considered after this date.

If you have any further questions, you may contact the Mattapoisett Woman's Club at P.O. Box 1444, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

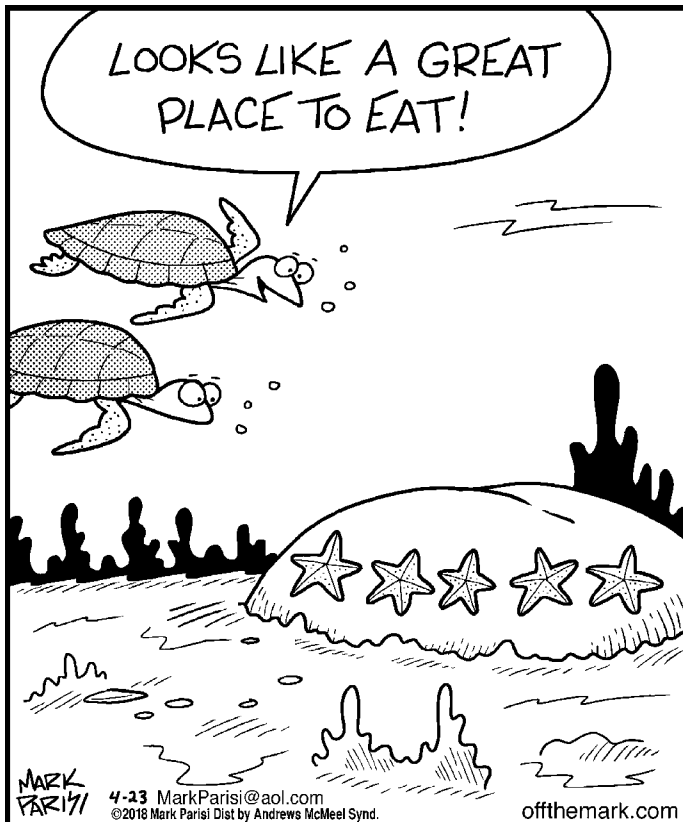
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		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	April 26	5:53	6:21	...	12:20
Friday	April 27	6:48	7:12	12:39	12:50
Saturday	April 28	7:36	7:59	1:21	1:19
Sunday	April 29	8:22	8:43	2:01	1:51
Monday	April 30	9:05	9:25	2:40	2:26
Tuesday	May 1	9:48	10:07	3:17	3:04
Wednesday	May 2	10:30	10:48	3:54	3:43
Thursday	May 3	11:13	11:30	4:31	4:23
Friday	May 4	11:57	...	5:09	5:04
Saturday	May 5	12:14	12:44	5:50	5:48
Sunday	May 6	12:59	1:30	6:38	6:40
Monday	May 7	1:45	2:17	7:37	7:45
Tuesday	May 8	2:31	3:04	8:48	9:04
Wednesday	May 9	3:21	3:56	9:49	10:17
Thursday	May 10	4:17	4:52	10:37	11:13
Friday	May 11	5:14	5:45	11:18	...
Saturday	May 12	6:08	6:33	12:00	12:01
Sunday	May 13	6:57	7:19	12:44	12:37

<b>Phases of the Moon</b>	Full Moon	April 29th
	Last Quarter	May 7th
	New Moon	May 15th
	First Quarter	May 21st



## I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

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## SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Furnish; 2. Couple;  
3. Retain; 4. Spear

Today's Word  
**FIANCEE'S**

Sudoku Answer

4	8	5	1	2	7	6	3	9
9	1	7	3	6	5	2	4	8
6	2	3	9	8	4	5	7	1
5	9	2	8	3	1	4	6	7
1	7	6	5	4	9	8	2	3
8	3	4	2	7	6	1	9	5
2	5	1	6	9	3	7	8	4
3	4	8	7	1	2	9	5	6
7	6	9	4	5	8	3	1	2

SHE LEARNS FAST...



# PLUMB CORNER MARKET

Open Every Day  
from 7am to 9pm

565 Rounseville Road • Rochester, MA 02770 • 508.763.5333

**SALE EFFECTIVE: Friday, April 27 – Thursday, May 3, 2018**

## Wine Shop & Beer Cooler Specials

All Beer is  
Plus Deposit

750 ml  
California Wines  
Assorted Varietals

**Dark  
Horse  
\$7.99**



750 ml - California Wines, Chianti or Pinot Grigio  
Good .....

**\$9.99**

750 ml - California Wines, Assorted Varietals  
Old Soul .....

**\$9.99**

750 ml - Australian Wines, Assorted Varietals  
Oyster Bay .....

**\$11.99**

750 ml - Portuguese Wines, Assorted Varietals  
Beyra .....

**\$8.99**

750 ml - Chilean Wines, Assorted Varietals  
Santa Carolina .....

**2/\$15**

12 oz. Cans  
Miller Lite  
18 Pack

**\$15.99**



12 oz. Cans  
Whale's Tale,  
Santitas Light, or  
India IPA

Cisco  
Brewers  
12 Pack

**\$14.99**



We have over 75 varieties (and more coming) of wines that are only **3/\$15** or **5/\$9** ea.  
Mix & Match wines from California, France, Italy, Argentina, Chile and Australia.

**Come in & check out  
the selections!**

## Superior Quality Produce



1 lb. Pkg.  
Strawberries..... **\$2.99**

Seedless  
Red Grapes..... **\$1.99**  
lb.

Georgia  
Vidalia Onions ..... **99¢**  
lb.

Fresh, Florida  
Corn..... **5/\$2.49**

Hass  
Avocados ..... **\$1.29**  
ea.

ORGANIC! Juicy  
Mangos ..... **\$1.69**  
ea.

## Grocery, Dairy, Frozen & Bakery

11.2-12 oz. Original  
or Red Berries

Kellogg's  
Special K  
Cereal ..... **2/\$5**



15.25 oz. Selected Favorites

Betty Crocker  
Cake Mix ..... **4/\$5**



46-50 oz. Selected  
Tide Laundry  
Detergent ..... **\$6.99**



18.5-19 oz. Selected  
(Excludes Vegetable Classics)  
Progresso  
Soup ..... **4/\$5**



12-16 oz. Selected  
(Excludes Gluten Free & Plus)  
Barilla  
Pasta ..... **5/\$5**



504 ct. 6 Roll Pack

Select-A-Size  
Bounty  
Paper Towels .... **\$6.99**



20 oz. Giant Loaf  
Shurfine  
White Bread .... **\$1.69**



16 oz. Selected  
Jif  
Peanut Butter .... **2/\$5**



15 oz. Dozen Selected  
Cookies..... **\$3.99**



Fresh Store Baked - 22 oz. 8 Inch  
Raspberry Pie ..... **\$4.99**



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7" personal size  
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12" cooked to order,  
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We carry a great variety of garden seeds for all your gardening needs.

USDA Choice  
Certified Angus Beef®  
Boneless Sirloin

Steak  
Tips  
**\$9.99**  
lb.



Kayem  
Made in New England  
Natural Casing

Franks  
**\$4.99**  
lb.



59 oz. Selected  
Florida's Natural  
Juice

**2/\$6**



16 oz. Selected  
Talenti  
Gelato

**\$3.99**



12 oz. Bottles or Cans  
Selected  
Heineken  
12 Pack

**\$14.99**  
Plus Dep.



1.5 Liter  
California Wines  
Assorted Varietals

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USDA Choice  
Certified Angus Beef®  
Bottom Round

Pot Roast  
**\$3.49**  
lb.



USDA Choice Certified Angus Beef®

Round  
Cube Steak ..... **\$4.99**  
lb.

Boar's Head  
EverRoast  
Chicken Breast ..... **\$7.99**  
lb.

Boar's Head  
Low Salt  
Provolone Cheese ..... **\$5.99**  
lb.

Bell & Evans  
Boneless  
Chicken Thighs ..... **\$3.99**  
lb.

Fresh, Boneless  
Bell & Evans  
Chicken  
Breasts

**\$5.99**  
lb.



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